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WHITEAWAY'S

British Bombing Of Rhodes Airfield

CAIRO, June 6 (Reuter).—Heavy bombers of the R.A.F. attacked the aerodrome at Kattavia, on the island of Rhodes during the night of Wednesday-Thursday. An R.A.F. Middle East communique states that bombs straddled the runways and fell among the hangars and aerodrome buildings, causing a number of violent explosions followed by fires.

Our aircraft bombed military buildings at Derna and the harbour at Benghazi, damaging the central mole.

Grounded at Aleppo

R.A.F. bombers attacked Italian aircraft on Aleppo aerodrome yesterday, destroying one with a direct hit.

Bombs were also observed to burst on hangars and the tarmac. Columns of black smoke rose from the target after the attack.

Bombing and machine-gun attacks were carried out by aircraft of the R.A.F. and the South African Air Force on enemy positions and mechanical transport in Abyssinia yesterday.

One of our fighters is missing from the above operations.

Netherlands Reply To Japanese

BATAVIA, June 6 (Reuter).—It is understood that the Netherlands East Indies Government in reply to Japan unreservedly maintained their insistence on the independent development of the country's economic future.

The Government also set their face sternly against all measures that would bring direct or indirect benefit to the enemy. At the same time the N.E.I. are willing to continue to co-operate with Japan on a reasonable basis in developing economic relations between the two countries.

Netherlands Protest

LONDON, June 6 (UP).—The Netherlands Government announced today that the Minister at Tokyo has officially protested against the utterances of the Japanese spokesman, Mr. Ishii, who charged the N.E.I. with insincerity in the Batavia negotiations, adding, "these observations are devoid of all foundation."

Censoring Of Films

The fee for censoring films in any appeal has been fixed at \$6 per reel, according to an announcement in today's "Government Gazette."

In all other cases of censoring films, the fee is to be \$1 per trailer, \$2 per reel under 500 feet, \$3 per reel exceeding 500 feet but not exceeding 1,000 feet and \$3.25 per reel exceeding 1,000 feet.

Posters will be censored free of charge.

Springboks At Strength For N. African Campaign

CAIRO, June 6 (Reuter).—The presence of South African forces in the Middle East and the arrival in Egypt of Colonel Stallard, the Union Minister of Mines, as representative of Marshal Jan Smuts, Premier of South Africa, were simultaneously announced to-night in an official communique.

It says that Colonel Stallard recently arrived in Egypt in order to visit the various South African formations now in that country. He is accompanied by Brigadier C. H. Blaine, the Union Defence Secretary.

After calling on the Premier, General Sir John Dill, General Sir

Nazis Take Control in Syria: Govt Helpless

BRITISH GARRISON ON SYRIAN FRONTIER IS REINFORCED BY 10,000

Special to the "Telegraph"

BEIRUT, JUNE 6 (UP).—ACCORDING TO REPORTS RECEIVED HERE THE BRITISH ARE REINFORCING THE TRANSJORDANIA GARRISON WITH 10,000 TROOPS NEAR IRBID, WHICH IS CLOSE TO THE SYRIAN BORDER.

A Cairo message says that German technicians and officers at Beirut are conducting Syrian Government affairs according to recent arrivals from Syria, although it is doubted whether any great force of German ground troops have as yet landed. Competent sources with a very close knowledge of the present situation in Syria believe that only the worst chaos will result from Vichy's compliance with the Axis machinations in Syria.

Adequate Aerial Protection For Troops in Future

CAIRO, June 6 (Reuter).—A promise of adequate air support for the New Zealand Expeditionary Force in their next battle was given by the New Zealand Prime Minister, Mr. Peter Fraser, addressing New Zealanders from Crete in a desert camp where they are resting and re-equipping.

NORDS PROTEST QUISLING BRUTALITIES

LONDON, June 6 (Reuter).—The growing unrest of all sections of the Norwegian people has been voiced by 43 of the most prominent national organizations in Norway in a joint letter to the German Commissioner, Herr Terboven, says the Norwegian telegraph agency in London.

Stating that public indignation has increased markedly in recent weeks, the letter details a whole series of incidents resulting from the illegal and terroristic activities of Quisling's National Samling Party and his band of storm-troopers.

Kidnapping

A protest is particularly made against the brutalities committed by Quisling's men in schools, colleges and public meetings as well as the kidnapping of Dr. Gjesling, Director of the Dikemark Mental Hospital, near Oslo.

The signatories of the letter point out that the decrees issued by the Quisling Commissars of Justice and the Police are contrary to both Norwegian and International Law.

The doctrine of "private retaliation" officially endorsed by the Quisling Public Prosecutor, exposes Norwegian citizens to brutal assaults without the possibility of legal redress, it is pointed out.

Gout Workers Threatened

The letter states that civil servants and municipal employees have been threatened with dismissal if they do not join the National Samling Party regardless of their technical qualifications.

Nevertheless out of 4,000 public employees in the Bergen district, only 12, under pressure, have joined the Samling Party.

Mr. Fraser declared: "We must and will see that the men who have proved more than the equal, man for man, to the Nazi tyrant and armies, will have, when they next go into the field, that adequate air support and ground equipment which will enable you to sweep the hordes of Nazis back where they come from."

The Prime Minister told the men that they were not defeated, because of any superiority of Nazi personnel or morale nor because of any weakening in their own ranks in fighting determination and spirit.

Blasted From Crete

"You were literally blasted out of Crete by air attack which no flesh and blood could stand."

They had proved beyond doubt that parachute troops could be defeated and in doing that, they had achieved a "great victory" not only for their own country but also for the Motherland.

"After what you did in Crete, it is unlikely that any German parachutists will ever land in the United Kingdom."

Tribute To Navy

Mr. Fraser paid this tribute to the Navy: "I wish to pay a tribute, and you will agree that it is well-deserved, to the Fleet under Admiral Cunningham. I was engaged on behalf of New Zealand in frequent discussions with the Admiral and his staff in regard to the evacuation, and I can say that the risks taken by him and his men in the Navy were unprecedented. Everything humanly possible was done to get the maximum number of our men away."

"From what I have heard in our hospital from the men suffering from wounds and sickness the kindness, consideration, efficiency, treatment and warmth of their reception aboard the warships was really beyond praise."

Assurance To Aussies

MELBOURNE, June 6 (Reuter).—In future actions in the Middle East, Australian soldiers will be protected by the "largest possible air force" ingeniously can produce, promised the Prime Minister, Mr. R. G. Menzies, in a speech here to-day.

Mr. Menzies exhorted Australians to work as never before.

Japanese Mission To Thailand

BANGKOK, June 6 (Reuter).—Strict secrecy is being observed in Japanese quarters regarding the presence in Bangkok of a Japanese delegation of four members, headed by Mr. Ono, former Under-Secretary of the Japanese Ministry of Finance. It is believed that the delegation will conduct informal inquiries with regard to ways and means of promoting Japanese-Thai trade relations.

War Revenue Ordinance

Consolidation Of Legislation

The "Government Gazette" today publishes an Ordinance to amend and consolidate the War Revenue Ordinances of 1940.

The "objects and reasons" state: "This Bill is based generally on a Bill recommended by the Reconstituted War Revenue Committee in the appendix to their Report which was tabled at Legislative Council on April 29, 1941."

Recommendations

2.—The Committee's recommendations involved: Firstly, a revision of the various clauses of the War Revenue Ordinances of the previous year with a view to adjusting what appeared to the Committee to be the principal inequities in those Ordinances;

Secondly, an increase in the allowances made to those paying salaries tax;

Thirdly, a different basis for the assessment of the tax on profits made by those carrying on a trade, profession or business, with a view to increasing the yield on this tax, which had proved disappointing on the previous basis;

Fourthly, a new tax (see Chapter V of the Bill) on certain classes of readily realisable interest arising

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LATEST

Stabilising China's Currency

The Currency Stabilisation Fund agreement between the United States and China is aimed at stabilising the Chinese national yuan in terms of U.S. dollars, while it formed part of a co-operative movement between the two great democracies which are working together in many ways to preserve the basic freedom, said Mr. A. Manuel Fox, American member of the Stabilisation Fund, in a press interview this morning.

Mr. Fox said that United States was aiding China in three ways through the Lend and Lease Act, commercial loans through the Export and Import Bank, and the Currency Stabilisation Fund.

He declared that he was confident the Stabilisation Fund would be an important factor in fostering the welfare of the countries participating, and would facilitate the maintenance and extension of China's external trade, as well as serve as a valuable instrument in China's internal reconstruction programme.

Vichy Leaflets

JERUSALEM, June 6 (Reuter).—A French aeroplane flew over Jerusalem this morning, dropping leaflets addressed to Frenchmen.

The leaflets declared that the people were misled as it was not true that German air formations were occupying Syrian air bases or that German soldiers had arrived.

Gestapo In Greece

Workers Terrorised

CAIRO, June 6 (Reuter).—Evidence reaching official Greek circles in Egypt shows that the Nazis are dealing with Greek workers in the Athens district with the greatest brutality.

According to M. Dimitrios, Secretary-General of the Greek Workers' Federation, the Nazis are carrying out mass arrests of Athenian workers, many of whom have been executed on grounds of attempted sabotage in German munitions dumps.

M. Dimitrios declares that terrorist methods have hitherto failed to break the spirit of the Greek workers, who continue secretly to resist the invaders.

Refugees Reach Turkey

ANKARA, June 6 (Reuter).—Many refugees are arriving in Turkey from the Greek islands.

The Turkish Government has adopted a humanitarian attitude and has sent the refugees to the interior where they are receiving a small daily allowance which enables them to live.

BOMBER FUND DONATIONS

A donation of \$1,000 to the Bomber Fund was received from the United Delivery Co., Ltd., and another of \$500 from Messrs. McIntosh's Ltd. were received this morning.

Hongkong Interport Cricketer's Death

It is with deep regret we announce the death yesterday in Rangoon of Mr. A. W. ("Tom") Hayward, of Messrs. Dodwell and Company, and former Hongkong Interport cricketer. Mr. Hayward was the victim of a fatal attack of dysentery. He was 46 years of age.

Mr. Hayward spent many years in the Far East. After serving with the 1st Battalion, the Royal Fusiliers in the last war, he came to the Far East and assumed a business position in Shanghai. Later he came to Hongkong and was with Messrs. Alex. Ross and Company. Then he joined the staff of Messrs. Dodwell and Company, and became manager of the

Ex-Interporter Passes



Late Mr. A. W. Hayward

U. S. TAKES OVER SHIPPING

WASHINGTON, June 6 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt has signed legislation permitting the Government to seize and operate approximately 80 foreign ships now idle in American waters. The President thereafter ordered the Maritime Commission to carry out the terms of the Act.

They include the authorisation, inter alia, to charter or lease any ships for foreign or coast service, but not to belligerent governments without Presidential approval.

The foreign ships concerned include 38 Danish, 26 Italian, two German, two Estonian, one Lithuanian, one Rumanian and 14 French, including the Normandie.

President Roosevelt told a Press conference that he did not know how many ships would be seized or whether French ships would be included.

Roosevelt Kills Scare Story Inspired By Axis

WASHINGTON, June 6 (Reuter).—"Peace offensive" talk was put in its rightful place by President Roosevelt at today's press conference.

The President stated that Mr. John G. Winant, the American Ambassador to Britain, had not brought from England "even the tenth cousin of a peace offer" and added that German propaganda was responsible.

Asked if he cared to say that Mr. Winant brought no peace terms, the President authorised the following direct quotation: "Not even the tenth cousin of a peace offer or anything like that or any discussions of peace. Absolutely nothing like it provided you use this, not as a denial by the President but as an accusation by the President."

Asked whom he was accusing, President Roosevelt replied: "Persons being duped by Germany."

Fascist-Nazi Orders

President Roosevelt volunteered the information that he had on his desk two orders which, he said, had been issued by the official German propaganda agency in Berlin to Nazis and Fascists in the United States.

The President declared that the first order told them to stress the idea that Germany had no thought of ever doing anything against any country in the Western Hemisphere (evidently in direct reply to the President's freestyle chat).

The second ordered Nazi and Fascist sympathisers, as soon as Mr. Winant arrived in the United States, to spread the story that he had brought a "scareless story" that Britain was about all in and was talking of peace.

ABSCONDING EGYPTIAN GENERAL CAUGHT

CAIRO, June 6 (Reuter).—General Aziz el Masri, former Chief of the Egyptian Army Staff, and his two companions who attempted to escape by air from Egypt last month, have been arrested.

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Post-War Ideals Outlined

Mr Morrison On Chief Objective

LONDON, June 6 (Reuter).—A scheme for an international post-war policy in which British and American collaboration would play a vital part was outlined in London to-day by Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Home Secretary.

Mr. Morrison, who was addressing a luncheon of the Foreign Press Association, said that old ideas would be completely unfit to cope with post-war problems.

"Human welfare should be the international aim in dealing with them. We must direct the whole of our policy towards achieving for everyone in all countries a really high standard of health, diet, physical well-being, education and a happy combination of peace of mind and strenuous constructive effort which marks civilised men."

Shameful Paradox

"We must never again let our statesmanship be shamed by the paradox of men starving because the world produces too much food and shivering because it makes too many clothes."

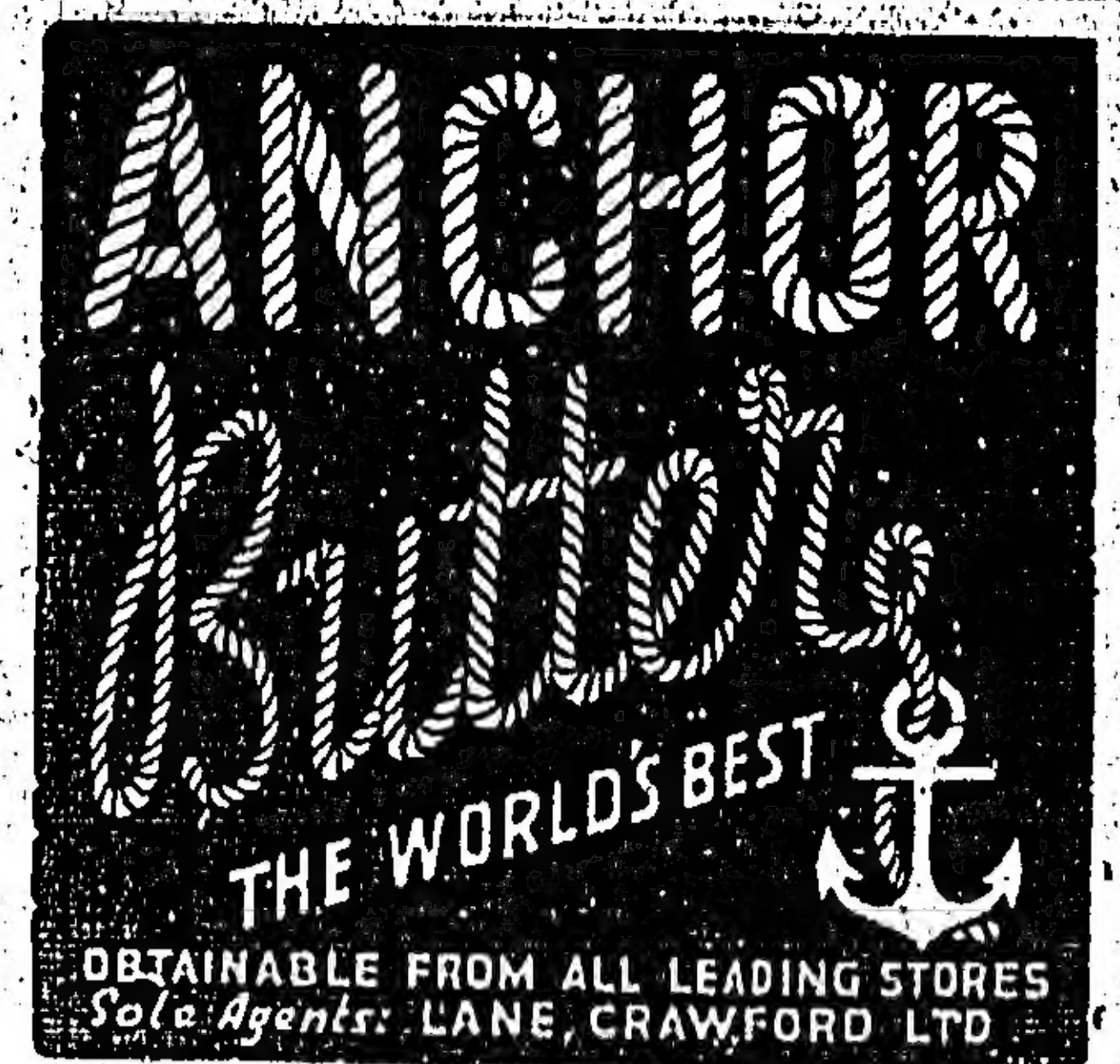
"Under the stress of war, the British people have learnt a lesson which has a promise for the future. The rationing of food, for instance, has given them a diet that is ideal for good health, but this will be an impossibility in practice if the Government is not spending £100,000,000 a year to offset the cost of war."

Association of Nations

"What is true of food is true of clothing, housing and education. We believe that thus we shall find not only the means of social security at home but the necessary grounds for that British and American collaboration which will lead to an even fuller international association, including America, the Dominions, Colonies, the United Kingdom and other freedom-loving countries, socialist and non-socialist."

CAIRO, June 6 (Reuter).—The Egyptian Premier to-day specially visited Alexandria and toured the districts damaged in the German raid of June 4. More corpses are being recovered from the debris.

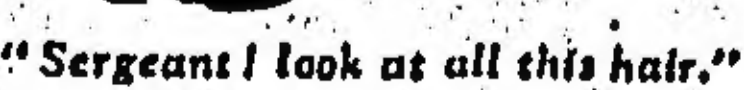
By Walt Disney



India's War Effort



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HELLO, WHAT'S THIS?—During a recent inspection tour of the Southern Command, the King was confronted by this strange apparition. The object at the right is a camouflaged soldier.



OVERLAND SAILORS—Members of the Royal Sussex Regiment carry collapsible boats across rough country in England during an offensive training course. Assault boats are used in quick crossing of streams.

How Far Has Germany's Naval Strength Grown?

By Francis McMurtie

Editor's Note:—The following article was written shortly before the recent naval engagement in which the Germans lost the pride of their fleet, the newly-completed Bismarck, while the 23-year-old H.M.S. Hood was also lost.

GERMAN naval strength today is far less than it was during the last war both actually and relatively to that of the British Fleet, but this statement does not exactly apply in the case of submarines.

German exploits at sea in the past 18 months have not equalled those of 1914-15. Thus, there has been no parallel to the Battle of Coronel, in which two British cruisers were sunk in action with Admiral Spee's squadron, to the torpedoing of three big cruisers, the Aboukir, Cressy and Hogue, one after another, by a single submarine on Sept. 22, 1914; or to the sinking by various submarines of the battleships Formidable, Goliath, Triumph and Majestic.

Since September, 1939, British naval superiority has been enhanced by the completion of a considerable number of new warships. Such additions have largely exceeded losses. Before this year is out, all five of the 35,000-ton battleships of the King George V. class should be in service, together with four aircraft carriers of the Illustrious class, five cruisers of the Fiji class and 10 of the Dido class. This will bring our total strength up to 19 capital ships, 8 aircraft carriers, and 75 cruisers, including those converted into anti-aircraft ships.

Nothing like this has occurred in Germany. When war began there were only two genuine battleships in the Nazi fleet, the Gneisenau and Scharnhorst, of 26,000 tons, armed with 11-inch guns. Both these still exist, since a Norwegian claim to have sunk the Gneisenau in Oslo Fjord in April has never been substantiated. It is true that the Scharnhorst has been heavily damaged by bombs and tor-

pedoes, but she has doubtless been repaired by now.

There were four Nazi battleships of 35,000 tons under construction when war began, but only one of them, the Bismarck, appears to have been completed. A second, the Tirpitz, may be ready this year, though there is reason to suspect that she has been delayed by bomb damage. It is not believed that the remaining pair can be delivered before 1942 at the earliest.

Two out of three so-called pocket battleships still survive. These are the Admiral Scheer and Luetzow (ex-Deutschland), 26-knot ships of 10,000 tons, armed with 11-inch guns, but only lightly armoured. As the Battle of the Plate plainly demonstrated, these ships are merely heavy armoured cruisers with inadequate speed. One of them, the Admiral Scheer, has suffered some damage from torpedo attack.

Only a single aircraft-carrier of 19,250 tons, the Graf Zeppelin, appears to have been completed. Her sister ship is reported to have been launched in January, 1940, and the balance of probability is that she is the new ship to which the name Deutschland has been assigned.

There are four cruisers of the Admiral Hipper class, displacing 10,000 tons, mounting 8-inch guns and having a speed of 32 knots. Recently one of these is reported to have been operating against shipping in the Atlantic, a role for which she is far better adapted than the slower and more heavily armed pocket battleship type. A fifth ship of this class, the Bluecher, was lost in Oslo Fjord on April 9, 1940. It was probably this ship that was mistaken for the Gneisenau.

So far as can be ascertained, the 6,000-ton cruisers Nuernberg, Leipzig and Koeln, armed with 5.9-inch guns, are all in existence, though the Leipzig is believed to have been the ship torpedoed by H.M.S. Salmon in December, 1939, and may possibly have been sunk. Certainly this was the fate of one of her two sister ships, the Karlsruhe, torpedoed by H.M.S. Truant in the Skagerrak on April 9 last. The third ship of this class, the Koenigsberg, was destroyed as the result of a skillful dive-bombing attack by the Fleet Air Arm at Bergen on the same day.

Though the Emden, of 5,400 tons, the smallest and oldest cruiser in the German navy, was reported to have been torpedoed by the Norwegian minelayer Olav Trygvason in the Oslo Fjord on April 9, 1940, supporting evidence is entirely lacking. The report is scouted on the grounds that the Norwegian ship has no torpedo tubes, and mounts only four 4.7-inch guns as compared with eight 5.9-inch in the Emden.

In all probability the German warship actually sunk on that occasion was 800-ton torpedo boat Albatros, this name having been conferred by the enemy upon the Olav Trygvason since she fell into their hands.

Four German cruisers of about 8,000 tons, armed with 5.9-inch guns, were under construction when war began. Though nothing definite is known about these ships, two of them may have been delivered by now.

At the outbreak of hostilities, Germany's destroyers numbered 22, of from 1,025 to 1,811 tons. Eleven of them were wiped out at Narvik, and two others are admitted to have been lost, probably in the operations at Gdynia in September, 1939. There were 17 more in hand, which should have been completed by now, raising the total destroyer force to 26 units. Seagoing torpedo boats (600 to 800 tons) probably number about 40. In addition to the Albatros, mentioned above, one was torpedoed and sunk by H.M.S. Swordfish off the French coast last October.

There were over 50 motor torpedo boats in service or under construction when war began, and this number has almost certainly been added to since. Casualties include six sunk during the Norwegian operations in April, May and June last; one by H.M.S. Malcolm and Verity on August 14; two off the French coast last October; and one in the North Sea in the following month.

For no sufficient reason it has been the custom, following an official lead, to refer to these vessels as "enemy E-boats." Since this is said to have its origin in the use of the High

initial "E" for "enemy" in naval signals, it is plain tautology. It would be far more reasonable to adopt the German abbreviation, and call them S-boats (schnellboote, or high-speed boats).

Assessment of submarine strength offers the most difficult problem at the moment. Out of 71 submarines in service in September, 1939, it is probable that there are few survivors, in view of the rate of destruction during the early months of the war. About 30 which were then on order passed into service last year, and many more have doubtless been built since.

Recent unofficial estimates suggest that the maximum number of U-boats likely to be in service this spring is 150, of which not more than 50 may be expected to be operating on the shipping routes at one time. Apart from a regular system of refuels, a certain number of submarines must always be kept in reserve for training purposes and to replace the inevitable casualties.

It is known that during the last war the total number of submarines ordered by the German Admiralty from August, 1914, to September, 1918, was 765. Of these, 450 had not been delivered up to the time of the Armistice; the majority, indeed, were never finished. At no time did the total number in service exceed 170.

Small submarines were in some cases turned out in as short a time as five months, medium-sized craft in 10 months and larger ones in 18 months. Certain exceptionally big submarines of special design, ordered during 1916, were still unfinished 24 months later; delays apparently began to develop during 1916, partly no doubt owing to the diversion of dockyard and shipyard labour and materials from submarine construction to the repairing of ships of the High Seas Fleet after the Battle of Jutland. This explanation is put forward by Admiral Scheer in his book, written after the war.

It is possible that the history of these past disappointments was in Hitler's mind when, a few days ago, he spoke of the "new U-boats now coming from the shipyards," and added the cryptic sentence: "The fact that they are coming cannot be doubted."

Arrears were never overtaken, and continued to develop during 1917, affecting the intensity of that year's campaign against shipping. Towards the end of the war delays became steadily worse.

By the release from the army in the summer of 1918 of skilled workers to reinforce the over-driven personnel of the shipyards, it was hoped to catch up arrears and accelerate work to the extent of turning out 30 submarines a month, but the collapse of German resistance intervened. It is clear, however, that the submarine campaign by that time was also suffering from a dearth of experienced personnel. Veteran crews of the older U-boats had to be broken up so that complements of new submarines might at least contain a few ratings with first-hand experience of cruising under war conditions.

Compared with the last war, there is no doubt that the enemy submarine attack on shipping started in 1939 with certain advantages, the chief being that it could be opened with full intensity on the first day of hostilities.

Material had been systematically accumulated in advance to enable construction to begin on a great many U-boats at the same time. A further gain was the occupation of Dutch, Norwegian and Danish shipyards, and later those of France, in which facilities for submarine construction existed.

Last summer the addition of a number of Italian submarines to the force already operating against commerce in the Atlantic gave the campaign a further impetus; and it is not improbable that before long we shall hear that all the remaining Italian submarines have been manned by German crews. This may not be entirely an advantage to the enemy, however, as it will entail carrying a smaller proportion of "old hands" in each vessel, a definite source of weakness.

It is to be doubted whether any Italian warships other than submarines will be taken over by the German navy. Personnel is in all probability the Achilles heel of the German fleet as it is constituted today. In the space of five years (1934-39) the total number of officers and men was increased fivefold, with the result that when war began a high proportion was comparatively speaking, untrained. This was at the bottom of the refusal of the Graf Spee's crew to put to sea from Montevideo and face a further action.

Apart from any question of training, the studied policy of evasion which has been followed by German man warships whenever they have not been in greatly superior force is calculated sooner or later to lead to the same state of demoralisation that fatally undermined the discipline of the crews of the High Seas Fleet in 1917-18.

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WHY U.S. DOESN'T DECLARE WAR

By RAYMOND CLAPPER

FRIENDS can and should inflame to demand war. The speak frankly, and it is danger of such events at the in that spirit that this is written, and above all in a spirit of friendship.

In many minds in England must be a sense of disappointment that sentiment is so strong in the United States for not participating in the war as an avowed belligerent.

That such is the sentiment in the United States seems quite evident to me as a result of considerable travelling during the recent political campaign. With it goes an amount of sympathy that is evident everywhere. There is no question whatever where most of our people in the United States stand. Then why are we so reluctant to do more? Why are we so apprehensive over actions in the part of our own Government, that might involve us directly in the war?

A SECONDARY explanation might also be added. It is not yet clear in dramatic terms understandable to every one how our active entry as a belligerent would assist Great Britain.

It is said that Britain has no need of men. It is said that she needs, on the other hand, every piece of equipment that we can produce and send. Yet if we entered the war as a belligerent—so the usual argument here goes—would we not be compelled then to withhold shipments to England in order to equip our own forces? Even if America were ready with a large army, equipped for action and with facilities for transporting it across the Atlantic, what could be done with

IN answer, one can only offer a few personal judgments. First of all, it must be remembered that there have been no spectacular incidents or catastrophes involving American lives or American ships. The flag has been clear of the danger zone in this war. Therefore the average person in the United States still looks at the war as terrible, but still remote.

Intellectually he accepts the fact that England's survival, particularly the survival of British sea power, is highly desirable from the point of view of the United States. But nothing has occurred to make him fighting mad.

Extensive German sabotage in our own defence plants, evidence of plotting within the United States or even, perhaps, elsewhere in the hemisphere, might awaken such emotions. But thus far the United States has been untouched by the war except in a most favourable way economically. It has produced the defence programme which, together with sales of supplies to England, has stimulated our sluggish economy.

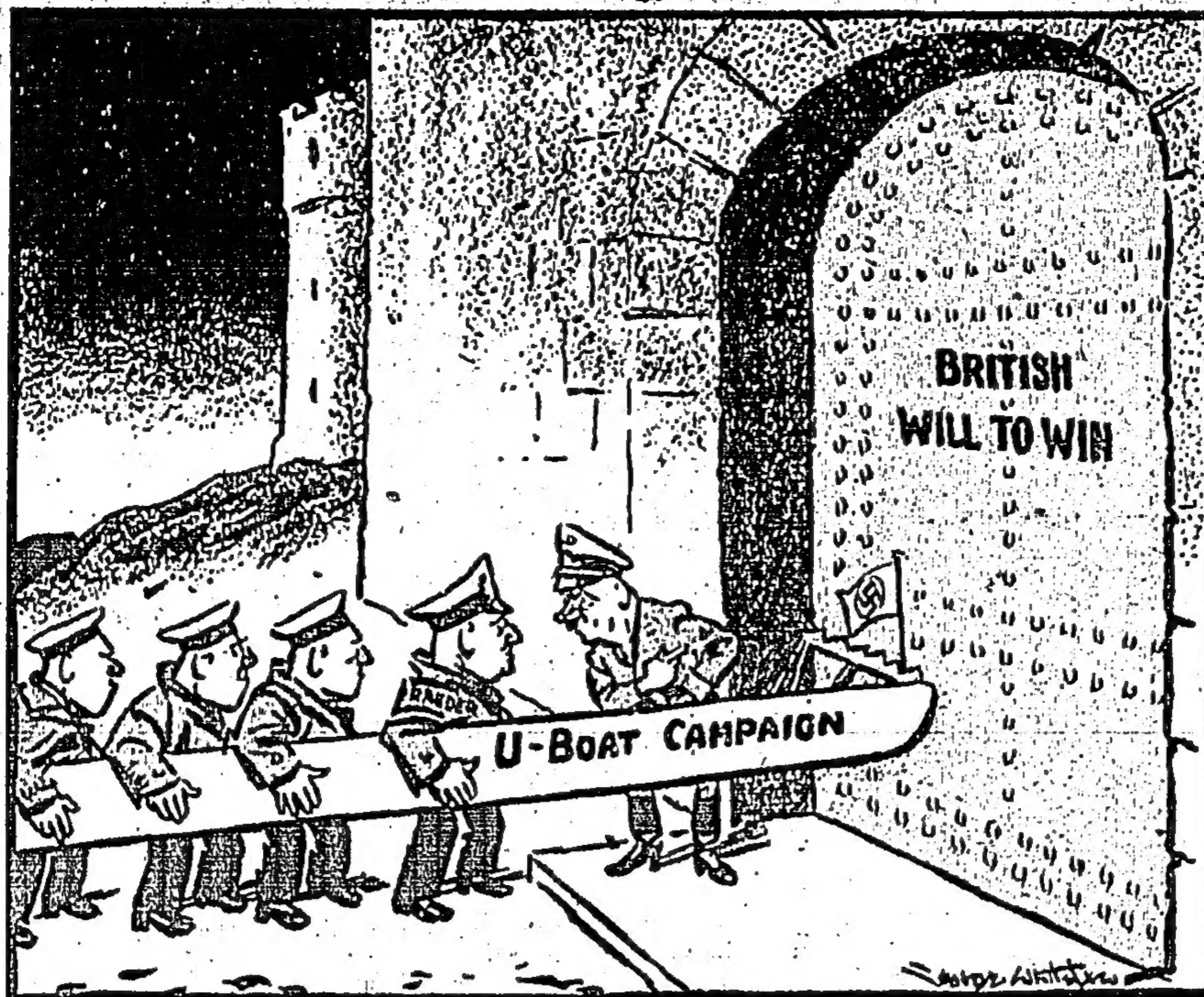
Until things happen which touch our flesh and blood, or which immediately threaten it, it is doubtful if American public opinion will become sufficiently

Americans see the Continent entirely under German occupation, and, observing that Hitler was unable to invade England at a time when he had great superiority, Americans do not see how an American force could land in Europe and take the offensive. In other words, the average American sees no way in which we can really get in on this war even if we were so inclined.

If it were clear that by becoming a belligerent we could help those who favour our going in—and there are some influential persons who do favour it, at least privately—might be able to make a more persuasive case.

As it is, they are on the defensive, are unable to show how our participation as a belligerent would improve the situation materially, and they are getting nowhere with other sections of American opinion.

It may seem incredible that such a state of mind could exist when most of our people do realise intellectually that the defeat of Britain would leave us face to face with Hitler and that the effect upon us would be most serious. Yet I believe that is the case, and that the reasons for it are primarily the two which I have mentioned: first, the absence of provocative incidents that would arouse our people to a fighting temper against Hitler, and second, the absence of clear reasons why our going to war would greatly contribute to the defeat of the Axis.



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We can go at any hour to suit your convenience. If you like to get up with the birds, we could go as early as five in the morning. The conventional appointment would be during the tiffin hour, which in Chinese tea-houses is between eleven-thirty in the forenoon and two in the afternoon. If you like the fast-food notes of some glamorous singing-girl, then you must come about seven in the evening, and be prepared to sit for two or three hours imbibing countless cups of tea and cracking interminable numbers of melon seeds between your teeth.

Here, vivacious Cantonese waitresses will smile at you, and if you are at all gifted in vernacular conversation, you will find them always ready to in-

By T. Paul Gregory

Chinese Tea-Houses

dulge in badinage. The stranger soon learns that even the most unsophisticated little "knows all the answers," for these *bons-vivants* was the tea-house in a hard work-a-day existence with no illusions. She bore the distinctive appellation accepts life as she finds it, and of Poon Aqu (half a bowl).

TO many, the main attraction of a Chinese tea-house is the array of delicious pastries or *dim-sum*, as the Cantonese term them. These delectable delicacies run the gamut of the epicure's imagination. There are, for instance, a whole series of steamed "buns"—some stuffed with roast pork and others filled with a variety of sweet pastes. Our gourmet will probably find the selection of timbales the most appetising: *ha-gaan* made from tender shrimps and *fun-guoh* containing a mixture of finely chopped meats, etc. These tidbits are prepared by women, for the Cantonese aver that none but the fair sex have the sensitive touch required to shape these fragile pastries. To those who are fond of cakes, there is a large assortment of "sweet breads," such as the omnipresent *daan-go*, or "sponge cake," the recipe for which is said to have been introduced by the first Portuguese navigators some four centuries ago.

THE tea-house is in reality the most important social institution in Chinese life. It takes the place of the pub and club of the West, and in a country where drunkenness has never become a national vice, tea-drinking is definitely a national habit. Tea-houses abound in every Chinese city, and even a small market town has one or two. There are, moreover, tea-houses for every rank of Chinese society. The lowly ricksha puller and his friends, the navy and boatman, have their own favourite rendezvous, where for a few cents they may sit by the hour and gossip with their fellow toilers. These *cha-qui*, as such establishments are generally called, provide for the labouring masses of the Middle Kingdom the facilities of a social-centre and serve to bring into their work-a-day lives a degree of happiness which would otherwise be denied them.

The tea-house where you and I will go will be one of the innumerable *cha-lau* of several storeys, patronised by the middle and upper classes of Chinese society. Such tea-merchants mix them both and houses are generally pretentious establishments, famous either for the luxury of their appointments or the vaunted excellence of their various blends of tea. Very few of the Colony's tea-houses can boast of being able to serve a hundred blends of the delightful beverage, but such was the claim of several estab-

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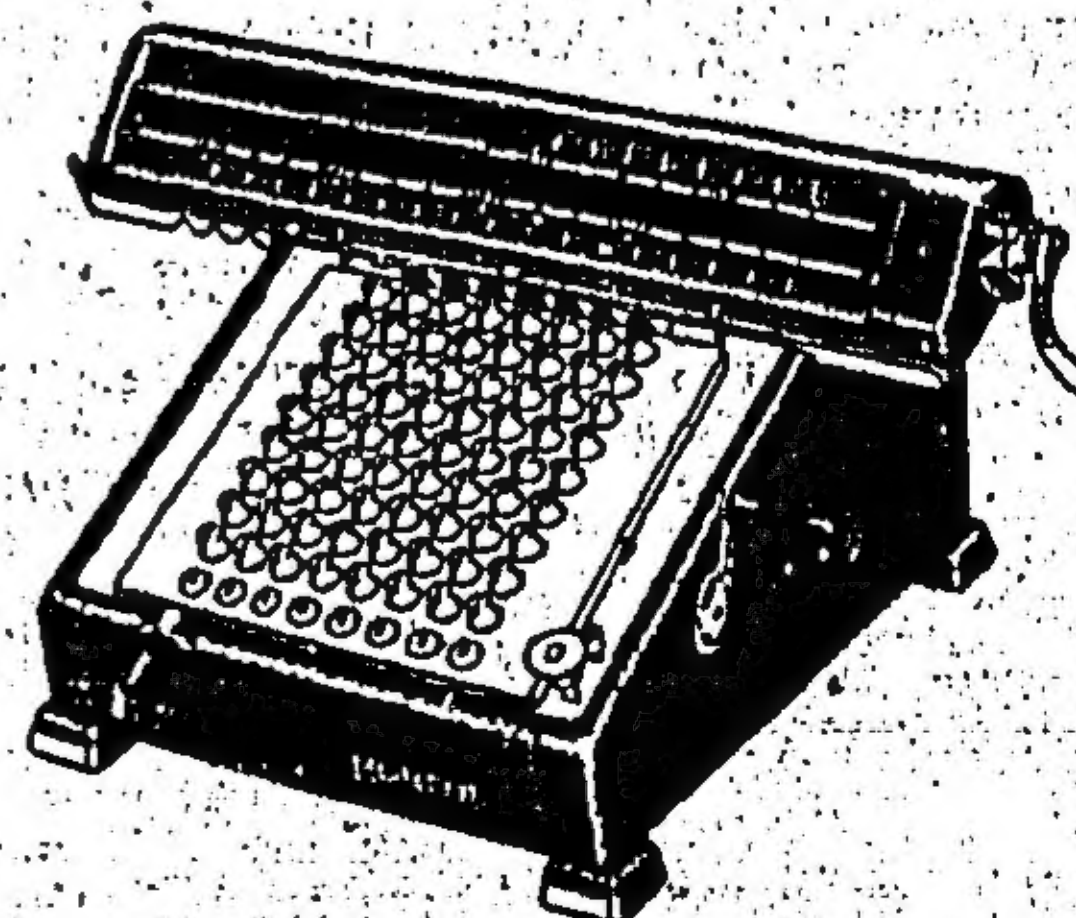
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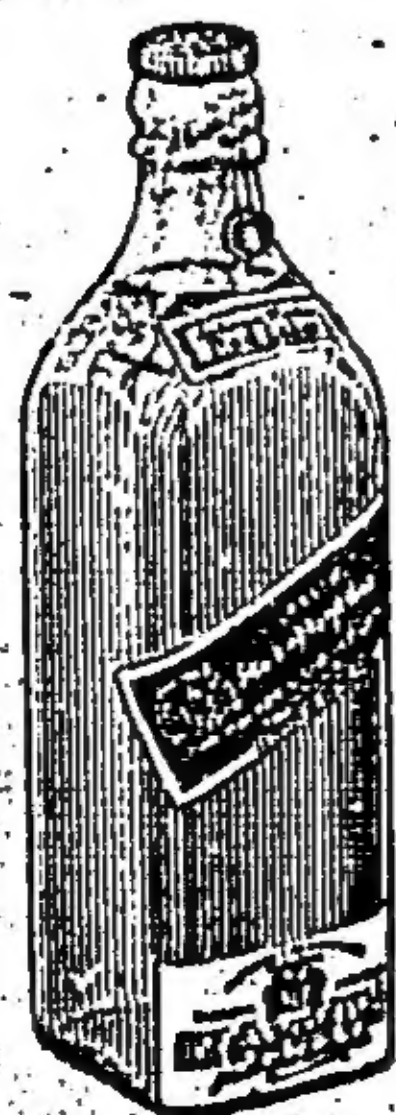
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Baseball Season Opens This Afternoon

Governor To Pitch First Ball

Mindanao-Brewery Clash Sets Ball Rolling

(By BALL FAN)

THEY'RE OFF! King Baseball is reigning once more. Out at the Chatham Road ball park this afternoon, fans will stream through the gates from far and near, eagerly awaiting that hoarse shout "play ball". Professors, preachers, the white collar gang, butchers, rickshaw pullers, the fair ones and office boys, ball fans from each calling and mart, will be cramming the bleachers to see the old ball season start.

The rookies are straining to test their mettle while the veterans have trained off their fatigue. The howl of the gobbler and the peanut purveyor will be heard once again, and seven ball clubs are all set for the pennant chase.

MINDANAO'S terrific "M", defending champions and the surprise team of last year's torrid pennant race, open up the season this afternoon at 3 p.m. in an eagerly awaited clash against H.B. Brewers, the hottest ball tossing nine in this year's pre-season training camp.

Sunday's two-game programme sizzles up with H.K.B.C.'s marauding Mohawks in a featured fray against the U.S.S. Asheville, while the afternoon nightcap spotlights a "Chinese-English" classic with South China all set to open up with a win over the Royal Engineers.

WITH Governor Northcote tossing out the first ball to open the official season, Mindanao's defending champions renew their classic feud against the strengthened H.B. Beermen—an intense rivalry dating back to the early part of last year.

The Skid Row Hawks—Tony Muscavento duo, highlighted as the standard battery combination in the local major league circuit, will be bearing a big burden this afternoon, as last year's pennant winners are out in their quest for a second successive championship, with an opening victory over the well-balanced beer makers. Grandpa Leung, Chuck Waggoner and Bill Woo are booked to handle this "march to the flagpole" tie.

The Mindanao tars do not look to have a strong inroad as last year, with the Cecil "Big" Douglas from the initial sack, and the gap left in the inner diamond will be pretty hard to fill. However, Manager Ival Goodman expects the rookies to come through behind the steady influence of last season's veterans. Joey Moore, Jacky Powell, Bill Stahl and the other first year men will be under the critical eye of local gashousers in their debut appearance, up in the big tent, and should pass by with the O.K. sign in this initial confab.

Dhun Ruttonjee's Brewers have signed up key-stoner Tony Alves and will start with most of last year's veterans back in the fold. The men pack balance, oodles of experience, a steady hurler in Madcen Arcull and a powerful clouting array which has shown plenty of that big time class the past two months.

Outfielders Baby Abbas, Hank Ali, Jindoo Hussain, Cyclone Baker and Taran Jannit have all shown mid-season dash in the Brewery exhibition spring tune-up tilts, and it will be pretty hard to choose a starting trio from this quintet of outstanding fly-shuggers.

TO-MORROW morning at 10 a.m. with Grandpa Leung, Nick Beltrac and Bill Chang calling them, H.K.B.C.'s marauding Mohawks tackle Uncle Sam's Asheville nine in an "opening Sabbath" tussle. Troquois scouts bagged in with a big tilt when they signed up the power-clouting Johnny Schaberg, former Shanghai flash, who has added that extra punch to a wobbly Mohawk infield.

Silent Johnny will spark the Five Nation threat at the windy alley, and expects to make an early start on the road to the climax batting championship. The Upper New York State Tribe have a line-up of veterans ready to start the campaign, and are ardently hoping for the appearance of that pressure trio, Pete Fitch, Mack Sperry and Frank Greva.

Manager Wood's Asheville ball players took a bad defeat last week in their exhibition clash against the powerful Brewers, but are slated to show Hongkong ball fans that they are capable of climbing up slip-playing ball, and will be fighting to clinch that important initial triumph.

Lefty Crumm has been chosen to start on the Asheville mound; his intricate change of pace had the Bernmakers guessing last week, but he ended by being spotted a stellar mound performance.

THE Sunday afternoon game slated to start at 3 p.m. will bring together South China's weak-willowed nine and Hame-lin's fighting Royal Engineers, with Skid Row Hawks, Johnny Schaberg and Chuck Waggoner umpiring.

Chinese hurler Kenny Moy struck the well-known mark out at Caroline Hill over the week-end.

League Bowls Matches For This Week-end

To-day

FIRST DIVISION

K.B.G.C. "B" v. Recrelo "A"
K.B.G.C. "A" v. Craigengower
Recrelo "B" v. Kowloon C.C.
K. Dock's v. Police
Indians v. C.S.C.C.

SECOND DIVISION

Kowloon F.C. v. Recrelo
H.K.C.C. v. Talloo
H.K.F.C. v. K. Tong
Kowloon C.C. v. Craigengower.

THIRD DIVISION

Craigengower v. H.K.C.C.
Electric v. K.B.G.C.
Recrelo v. Kowloon F.C.
Police v. Hongkong F.C.

To-morrow

FIRST DIVISION

Indian R.C. v. K. Dock's

SECOND DIVISION

Craigengower v. Hongkong F.C.

THIRD DIVISION

Recrelo v. Craigengower

"BOOM" IN BRITISH BOXING

LONDON, May 15 (Reuter).—British boxing seems to be having a "boom." Purses may be smaller and gates, naturally, are not so large but few weeks pass without a fight of note, and the tournaments held in aid of war charities add to the war-time interest in the noble art.

So far as Sunday boxing for the general public is concerned, however, there appears to be no hope of the authorities allowing such promotions.

Officials, however, will not allow this set-back to discourage them from promotions, whenever possible, on other days.

Open Air Tournaments

THE extra daylight, given by the extension of Summer Time, will help considerably. Open air tournaments are expected to prosper.

There has, in the past, always been a public for these but difficulties have arisen. Lighting for open air shows is a costly business and ambitious programmes, which could not very well start before 7.30 p.m. have given three hours' first class entertainment which has meant the passing of daylight before all is over, and spectators are "shown out."

The extension of summer time, however, means daylight until about 11 p.m., and does away with the necessity of lighting. One expense, therefore, is eliminated, and open air boxing should, and is expected to, be very popular this summer.

Man o' War Celebrates 24th Birthday

LEXINGTON, Ky.—More than 200 turf fans visited Man o' War when America's greatest race horse celebrated his 24th birthday in his private stable on the Faraway Farm.

Samuel D. Riddle's almost legendary son of Fair Play—Mahubah went through his usual quiet routine despite the visitors. Big Red received his usual ration of nine quarts of oats, was taken for a mile workout and given a brisk rubdown. He spent the remainder of the day resting.

Man o' War, beaten only once in his competitive career and then by a horse named Uccer, is challenging his record as a racer by his activities as a sire. He is still "sending them to the races" and the names of his offspring already read like a roll call of turf greats—names like War Admiral.

Harrie B. Scott, manager of the farm, said: "He's looking fine and feeling fine—not a thing wrong with him."

Softball Schedule

TO-DAY AT CHATHAM ROAD

3 p.m. Mindanao v. H. B. Beer.

TO-MORROW

10 a.m. H.K.B.C. v. U.S.S. Asheville

3 p.m. South China v. Royal Engineers

seconds, breaking the European record set by the Swede Borne.

The Soviet feminine swimming star Alekhina covered the 400 metres backstroke in 6 minutes 55 7/10, setting another Soviet record.



Pete Elder (Hongkong B.C.) out at the home plate. Kenny Moy, South China's pitcher has done the tagging. Ming Yuen.

Georges Carpentier Fights Against French Professionalism Ban

LONDON, May 15 (Reuter).—Georges Carpentier as much as, if not more than, any other sportsman of his country, put French sport 'on the map', and it is sad to read of the fight he is forced to make to keep the professional side going in France.

There must be the hope that he will succeed so that post-war France will be able to take its place again in the sporting world.

The troubles arose when Jean Borotra, famous tennis amateur, was appointed the equivalent of a Minister of Sport. For reasons best known to himself Borotra's first move was to ban professionalism from all sports, except cycling. Why he left that sport alone nobody, unless it is Borotra, knows.

Carpentier, however, has headed a deputation to try and stop such a sweeping revolution and to quote his own words "they (professionals) inspire in the great masses of athletes an emulation which can only profit the amateurs... without that emulation... all sports, amateur as well as professional, will perish."

Three Left Out

BOROTRA has appointed a committee of eleven to rule French boxing and there seems to be a Nazi dictatorial tone about his methods. France has had some great boxers, Carpentier, Marcel Thil and Eugene Criqui to mention but three.

Thil was world middleweight champion and Criqui held the world feather-weight honours, but none of the three are on the "committee."

That body includes the former world featherweight champion, Andre Routis, now almost blind, and some lesser known men whose greatest fame is to have won French or European titles.

It is against such that Carpentier wages his fight, not only for boxing but for all sports in which professionalism plays an important, and noble, part.

South China Tourists Beat Singapore Civilians

DISPLAYING fine form, the South China footballers beat the Singapore Civilians by three goals to nil before a crowd of approximately 18,000 at Anson Road stadium on May 25 reports the "Singapore Free Press". Leo Wai-tong led the attack and it might have been his personality that inspired the visitors to play so well.

Despite the large number of Sikh policemen on duty around the stadium fencing and at the gates, it was most difficult to control the rush.

While the game was in progress a Malay, who had climbed an electric cable, support, was seen to fall from a height of about 20 feet. It is believed he was seriously injured.

While the visitors are to be congratulated on scoring such a decisive victory, it must be recorded that the Civilians' display was surprisingly disappointing. This applies, in particular, to the forwards who, with the sole exception of Willoughby, were right off form.

Quan Chong was the worst offender, and he should have scored on at least two occasions.

Steady Defence

The local defence stood up to the visitors' attacks (and they were admirably executed) very well. Abdul Rahman being outstanding. He was given steady support by Soon San, and in the half-line Aziz alone.

Webber had no chance of stopping the shots that entered the net. He saved brilliantly twice.

Leo Wai-tong was the centre of attraction. Whenever he was in possession the crowd expected a goal, but, although the idol of all football in China is still a formidable player, he is now a long way off the form he displayed when last in Singapore.

The Play

SOUTH CHINA attacked off the first whistle, but they were sent back before they became dangerous and, when Singapore attacked in turn, Willoughby provided the first thrill of the game when he kicked in a ball that glanced off the bar from a difficult angle.

Singapore got busy in the next minute, only to let the move fizzle out when a goal seemed imminent.

South China soon got going again, and excitement ran high when Leo Wai-tong received the ball and scored. He was, however, very rightly ruled offside.

Singapore moved up again with the free kick, and the tourists' goal had a miraculous escape when Quan Chong, from three yards out, lobbed a pass from Awang Gabos on to the bar.

Play swung over and Webber had a nasty experience when dealing with a drop-shot from the left. The ball slipped out of his hands and was almost over the line when he recovered it and cleared. He had hardly time to settle down before he was called upon to save a fine drive by Chau Man-chi.

South China Score

Three minutes before the interval South China scored, when a pretty move saw the left wing, Lee Shek-yau, beat Webber with a slinging angled shot.

The excitement had not yet died down when the second goal was scored. Left unmarked, Chau Man-chi found the net with a lovely, low drive as the ball came across from the right.

The pace slackened in the second half. The Civilians attacked and were awarded a free-kick a yard outside the penalty area. Electing to kick, Tee Sang sent a terrific shot for the mark, only to see the goalkeeper save brilliantly.

South China did most of the attacking during the next ten minutes, but Abdul Rahman did splendid work, breaking up many dangerous movements.

When the Civilians broke away, Sweet Hook drew Kwan Kon out of goal and passed the ball to Quan Chong. The latter, unmarked, achieved the difficult feat of sending the ball over an unattended goal from five yards out.

At the other end Lee Wai-tong had the better of a duel with Rahman, but Webber saved nicely. Willoughby placed the ball in the goalmouth when the Civilians forced a corner, but Tee Sang's header glanced off the crossbar.

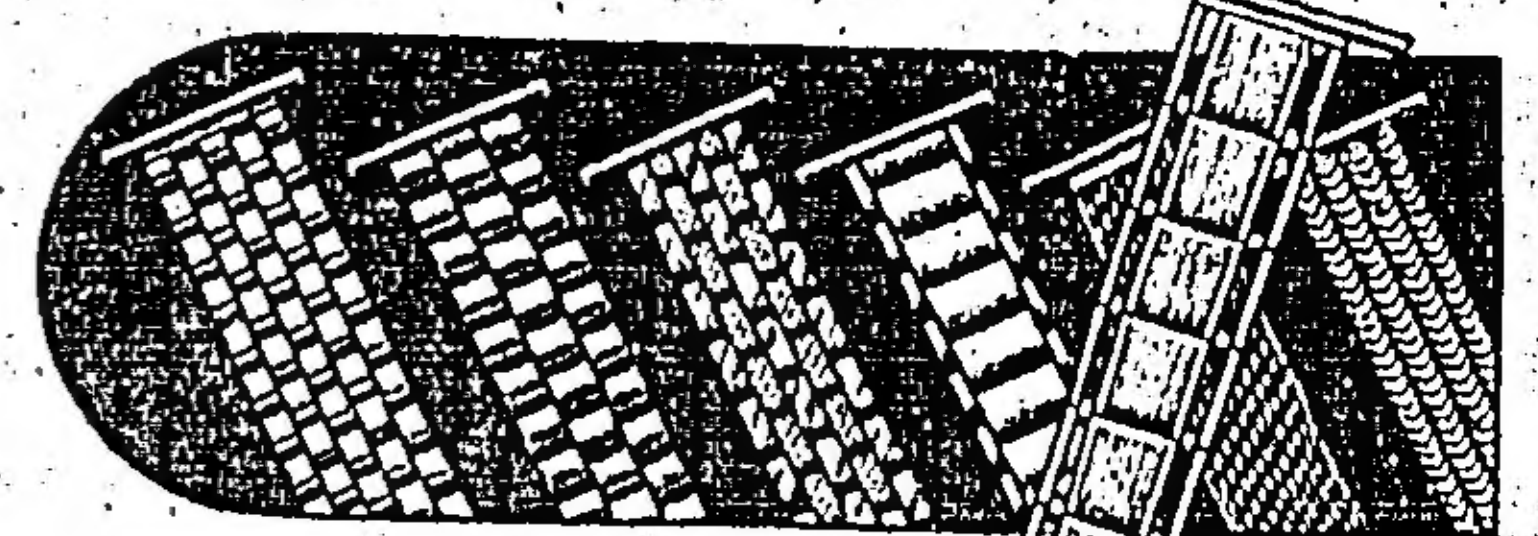
In the closing stages Lau Chung-nang banged in South China's third and last goal with a powerful, rising shot that went in just under the bar.

South China: Tam Kwan-kon; Tsang Chung-wan, Tee Kwan-hung; Lau Hing-chol, Hsu King-sing, Lee Wai-kuen, Chung Yung-sum, Lang Chung Sin, Lee Wai-long, Chau Man-chi, Lee Shek-yau.

Singapore: Civilians: Webber; Singapore: Soon San, John Chye, Aziz, Asah, Awang Gabos, Tee Sang, Sweet Hook, Quan Chong, Willoughby.

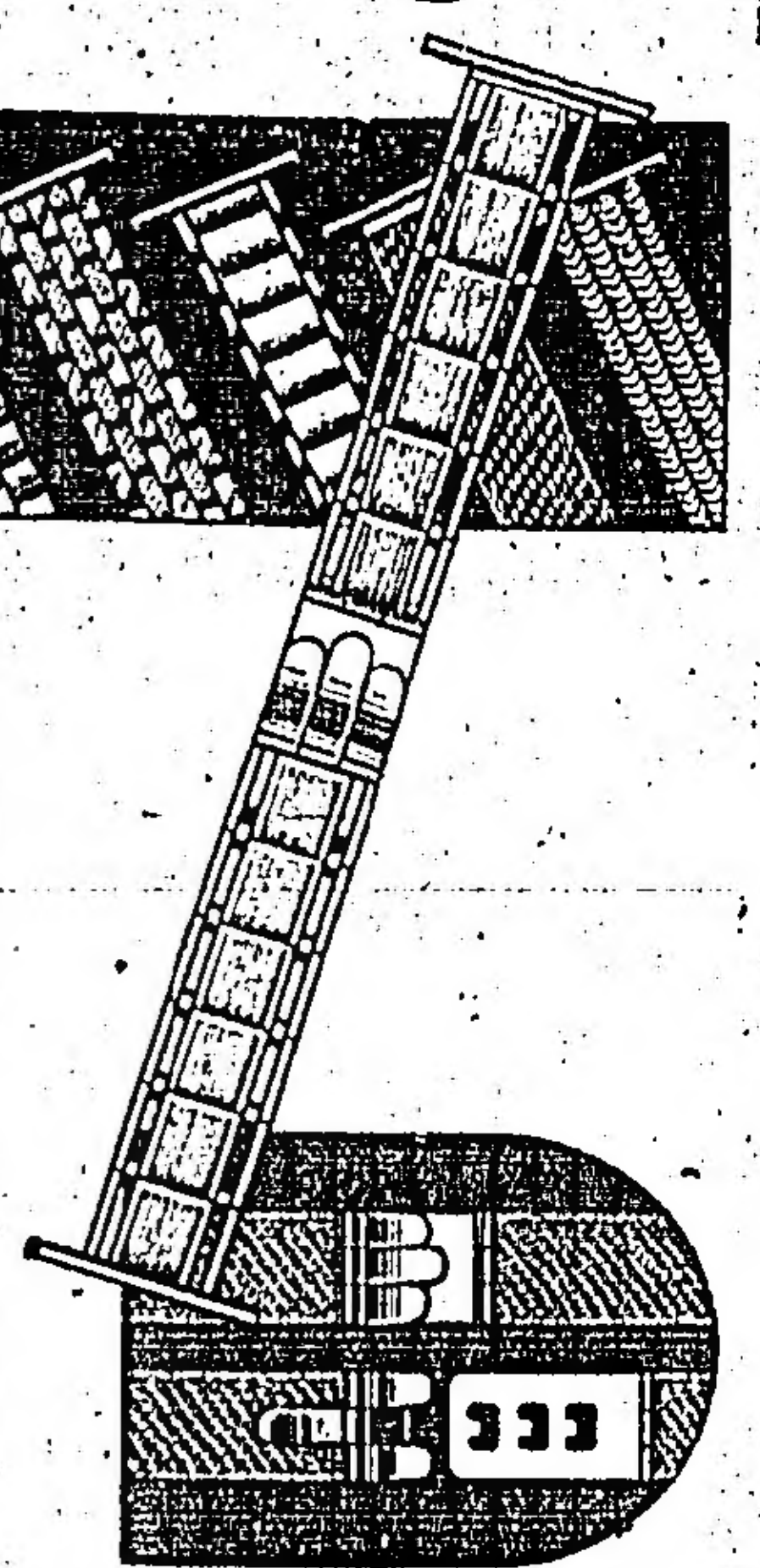
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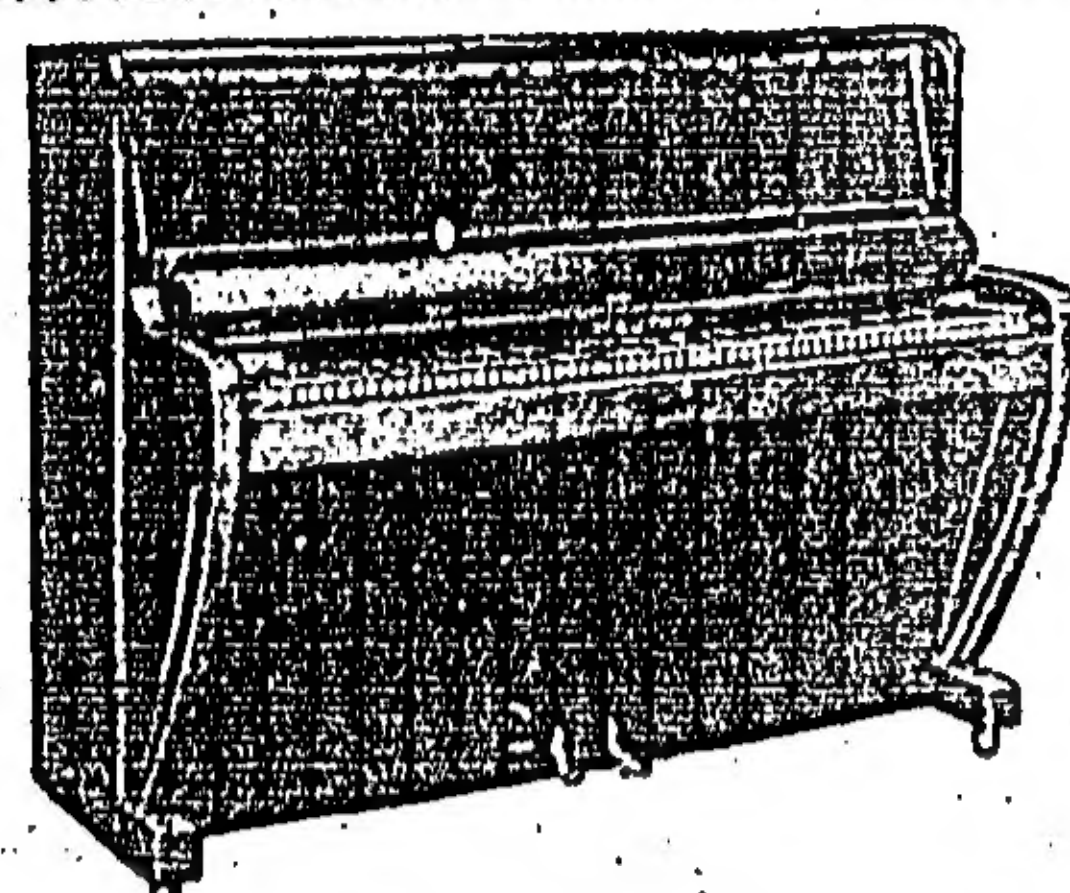
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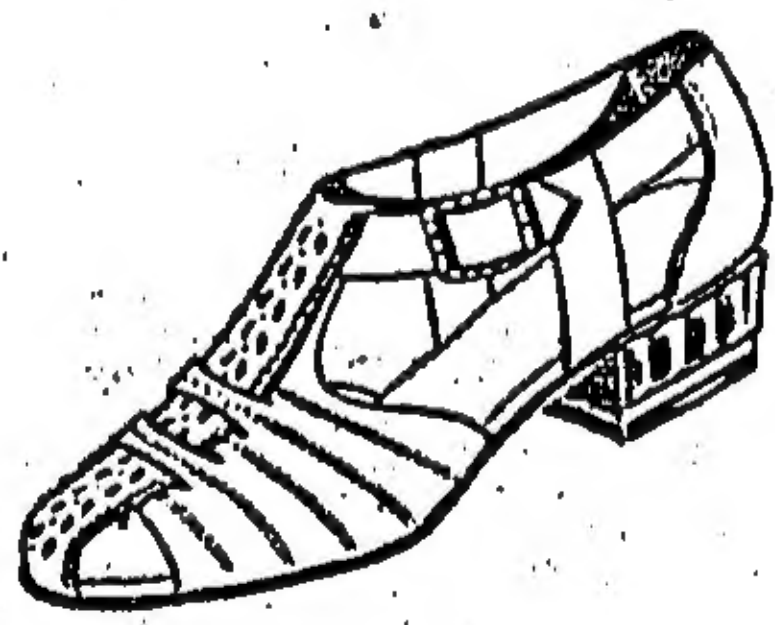


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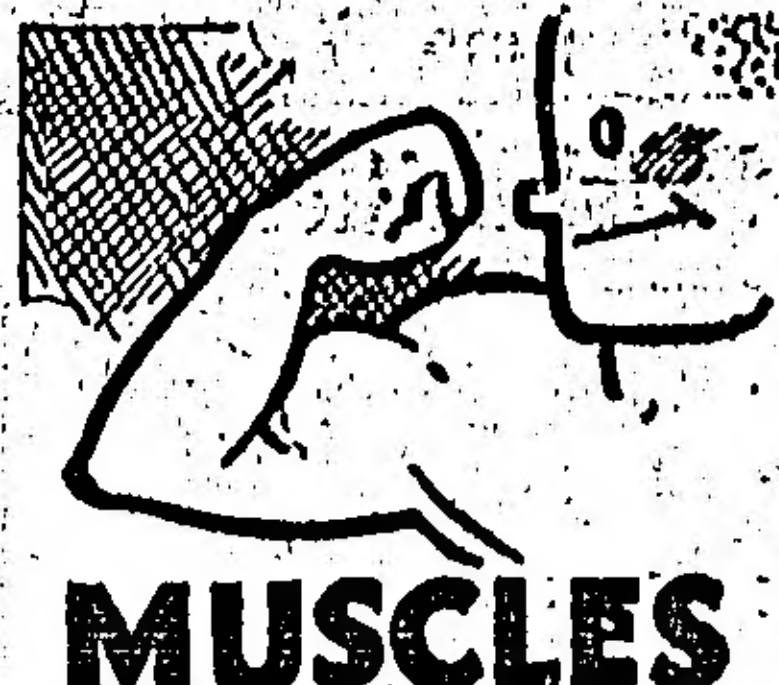
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DARLAN'S DILEMMA

EVIDENCE of increasing collaboration between the Vichy Government and Germany has become so obvious that the United States Government, fully aware of the threat conveyed therein to the American continent, has thought fit to issue a grave warning and to demand a clarification of Admiral Darlan's intentions.

In his last "Fireside Talk," President Roosevelt referred to Cape Verde, Dakar and the Azores, and said that any alteration in their status quo would be inimical to the peace and security of the Americas. Both France and Germany have since taken the trouble to deny any particular rapprochement, other than that laid down in the terms of the armistice, but evidence to the contrary is overwhelming. Mr Cordell Hull has now informed Vichy that his Government is assembling "every material fact and circumstance calculated to shed light on this alleged course of the French Government."

France, or rather the Vichy Government—because it is only just to separate the two in thought—is now faced with the problem of what course of action to pursue. With Mr Cordell Hull's challenge, Admiral Darlan can no longer "hunt with the hare and run with the hounds," which, under German tutelage—for they are past masters in this type of subterfuge—he has been attempting to do. The Admiral is perhaps more fully aware than even the Germans themselves, that he cannot push the French people too far. In the earlier days of the Armistice with Germany, filled with despair, they clung desperately to Marshal Petain as their only possible saviour. For some reason or other, possibly age and a recognition of his inability to cope with the situation, he has thrown up the sponge and retired to his own estate in order to gain what peace he can for himself in his last years.

Whether Marshal Petain was unable to gauge to the full Admiral Darlan's duplicity is not known. Whatever may have been his thoughts, it must not be forgotten, that, mistaken as he was in urging an "armistice with honour," the Marshal did his utmost to stand firmly against Germany's later demands. But Berlin and his own colleagues were too powerful for him, and France (today) is headed by a man whose only thought is self-aggrandisement and hatred of the British.

Fortunately, during the months which have elapsed since France fell, the people have had time to awaken to a realisation of what is happening. Because of this resurgence of feeling, Admiral Darlan has hitherto been stepping warily in his agreement with Germany. He must now openly espouse the German cause or again retreat to the "strict limitations" imposed by the Armistice. But here the question arises as to whether Admiral Darlan has not already committed himself and France to such an extent that it will be impossible for him to return. The next few days will show.

President Ineunu of Turkey, upon whom the world's lime-light now shines, came to London to represent Turkey at the Coronation of the present King.

Those who met him remember a short, sallow, restless man with piercing dark eyes, a clipped military moustache, a hooked nose and unusually delicate hands.

He was much better known to Europe 20 odd years ago as the distinguished General Ismet Pasha, who fought against us in Palestine.

The slight deafness from which he suffers was caused by the bursting of a shell.

The President was Prime Minister of Turkey for 15 years, and was the inseparable companion of Mustafa Kemal, Father of modern Turkey.

Like his companion, President Ineunu showed as great a flair for government and diplomacy as he had formerly shown in war.

At the armistice conferences he faced the British over the table as valiantly as he had opposed us in the field.

He is married, has four children and lives at the Presidential Palace in the shining new steel-and-concrete capital of Turkey.

He speaks English, French and German. He began to learn English in 1930, and regular consignments of English books are sent out to him.

In the old days Ismet Pasha was notorious for his quick, imperative temper.

A friend who knows him well tells me that years of diplomacy have mellowed him considerably, but the old temper can still blaze out.

Although books—and horses—might truly be said to occupy the President's spare time, his one absorbing interest is the new Turkey, which he helped to build side by side with the great Kemal.

KEY MEN, THIN MEN, FAT MEN TAIPANS, CLERKS ON PARADE

THEY LEARN SOLDIERING

It was evening when the thin British line began to form up on the parade ground of Murray Barracks. Key men, essential service men, long lean men, short fat men and odds and shobules.

The short ramrod Sergeant Major pulled at his mustache briskly and tucked his little cane under his arm as he ran an eye along them from the nearest end.

"Move up in the centre, you in the white coat... that's right!" Brown's head was now nearly in the centre of the forefront formed by Smith and Jones but it wasn't level with the shoulders. Never mind. He was a bleeding shame asking all these blokes what had ever fangs to do to service men, long lean men, short fat men and odds and shobules.

As the roll was called there was evidence of former war days from men who snapped to attention and answered "Sergeant!" The freshmen called "Present!" and "Yes!"

There followed a period of checking. Of the forty odd people present, six should not have been there, a few had just completed the "Recruits' Course in Rifle and Lewis Gun," the remainder had completed the same course twice in the previous year and a few were remnants from part courses, various revisions, training courses, training cadres and key men. "After consulting his papers," the Sergeant Major, with the backing of a diffident officer in the background, reduced the whole parade to one squad "for a new course," as he announced darkly. In a few minutes the news leaked out from confidential N.C.O.s. It was to be the "Recruits' Course of Rifle and Lewis Gun."

"Now you gentlemen have been sent here to learn the rifle and Lewis gun. We don't like it any more now you but things have to be done and when the Regular Army is wiped out and the Volunteers are in the lines you'll be the only blokes left in and to your bit. You can pick up all you want to know about the rifle—a soldier's best friend—and the Lewis gun, in 'arf an hour."

The N.C.O.s will instruct you in the parts of the Lewis Gun, the mechanism of the gun and how to fire it. We don't use no long words 'ere like the officers do and some of you gentlemen may 'ave difficulty in understanding the words of command. Like the corporal what went up to another N.C.O. at 'zero hour' and said, "Ere Bill, let's scrutinise our target sections of the Lewis Gun in 'em, puzzled like, and shook 'is 'ead, 'No fanks, Corporal, he says. 'It straight part in the curved part of the slot in the bolt. Gramophones do the dulter parts of the lecture and

twinkle gave assurance that it was permitted to smile.

The parade was broken up into small squads, an N.C.O. attached to each, and then, to the admiration of various Chinese hawkers and passers-by, they began again the familiar evolutions of dropping flat on a Lewis gun without getting a rupture and advancing five paces carrying the red hot weapon without falling on the face or exterminating friendly units in the vicinity.

Occasionally a veteran of the last war could be seen showing an instructor how to remove various internal organs of the gun without taking off the body cover or other chicanery not authorised in The Book.

The instructor explained it this way. "You see, we in the Regular Army never use the Lewis gun now-a-days. The only blokes what uses the Lewis gun is the Navy and they tie a couple of 'em together with a piece of string and brings aeroplanes down—or so they say."

Number three group was the centre of interest for a time when a raw recruit created a hitherto unknown stoppage. This was easily solved by the Corporal, however, by taking the gun to pieces.

"... Still the gun won't fire!"

"But 'is firing all right, Sergeant

"A long colloquy ensued after which the recruit humbly admitted the correctness of the instruction. A blistering interlude ended with the happy announcement that another N.C.O. had saved his finger from execution at the hands of an enthusiastic trigger-puller.

Instruction was quick and efficient. Some of the trainees remembered vague pieces from previous lessons... the body locking pin, the stop-me-and-buy-one pawls, and the damaged magazine. The number of damaged magazines was surprising. At the end of the evening it was well over the number of damaged guns.

Rifle drill was a little more arduous owing to repeated differences as to turning right and left. A suggestion that the compass points should be used as the words of command was discarded in favour of King's Regulations.

"Slope Arms" produced a few casualties from the soldier's best friend at first but the recruits soon got used to dodging the clumsy ones. Pretty soon the whole rank brought down their weapons to "Order Arms" in one movement lasting less than ten seconds but the thuds produced expostulation from the Sergeant Major. "You may 'ave been told by certain regiments—or I should say, rifles on the ground, but we don't do that in the Army." Now, once again please, and I don't want to 'ear a sound."

Relaxing moments were the pleasant sections of the Lewis Gun instruction, particularly about the straight part in the curved part of the slot in the bolt. Gramophones do the dulter parts of the lecture and

NAZI PLOTTERS IN MOROCCO

By HENRY STONE

INTERESTING information regarding the Nazis' "peaceful" penetration in Morocco was given to me by a distinguished Frenchman who was in that country until recently.

He said that the appearance of German uniforms in Morocco coincided with Italy's crushing reverses in Albania and Libya. Until then, there had been an Italian armistice commission operating in the country, but its activities were not great.

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WHEN the Nazis had to take control in Sicily to help their Italian partner, Hitler decided that in return for the help given Mussolini should let the Germans "look after" Morocco. So the Italian armistice commission was withdrawn, with the exception of one of its members—an expert on oil questions, who is still there, as an employee of the Germans.

The German armistice commission which towards the end of January replaced the Italian, with the approval of the Vichy Government, is composed of 82 members, including 25 officers, a number of experts and one diplomat named Auer who used to be at the German Embassy in Paris. He is the head of the propaganda services.

The Nazis established themselves in luxury in the select

Anfra quarter, a delightful sea resort four miles south of Casablanca, where, at the request of the Vichy Government, General Nogues, French Resident-General, requisitioned four big hotels, the Hotel Suisse, the Anfra Supérieure, La Reserve and the Villa Cauvin, a magnificent private house. This gave the "commission" plenty of room and it was needed, as the headquarters became the rendezvous of hundreds of German "tourists" and commercial travellers who have since been pouring into Morocco. They all come with the Vichy visa and, evidently, with the blessing of Admiral Darlan.

The Nazi commissioners showed more activity than their Italian predecessors. They began by requisitioning all the petrol stock which was chiefly in and around Casablanca, the heart of busy, commercial Morocco. They established control of all aviation grounds, where pickets of German soldiers prevent any plane from leaving unless a permit has been obtained from the "German armistice commission."

Of late, "experts" of the Nazi commission have been visiting districts in the plains outside Casablanca for the purpose of establishing a vast landing grounds for planes. The ground there is excellent—extremely

hard—for aviation purposes, and they can easily find places where five or six hundred planes could take off and land safely without the soil having to be specially prepared.

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SOME other experts were busy, when my informant left, a few weeks ago, making mysterious visits to various parts of the coast, presumably with a view to establishing U-boat bases. That, at all events, was what French and native officers, disturbed by these activities, believed... or feared.

The Nazis, who have plenty of superb cars at their disposal, are also making dangerous contacts with the natives. Some day there will be trouble. German soldiers will be "attacked" by a few natives, paid for the job, and the Nazis will have to send reinforcements to "protect their own troops."

They are also using former native soldiers for their propaganda. The Nazis, who must have planned a "peaceful" conquest of Morocco at the time of the French military collapse, made a selection among the many thousands of Moroccan troops they took prisoner in France. They placed all the "easy" and intelligent ones in a special camp, fed them well, treated them in a "nice, friendly" manner, and gave them lectures about the Fuehrer and Germany, whose only desire is to protect Islam and liberate the Moors. While the rest were starved to death—several thousands of Moorish soldiers died of cold and lack of food in prison camps in France last year—the "good boys" stuffed with Nazi propaganda, were liberated, sent back to Morocco—with the assent of Vichy—demobilised, and sent back to their villages, where they became the Nazis' best agents.

"What is the attitude of the population?" I asked.

This was the reply: "The reaction among the military element as well as the French population has been one of considerable surprise, as they had been told by Vichy, by General Huntziger that they would never see any German uniforms in Morocco. Now they realise that they have been baffled."

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"THERE have been many incidents. In Casablanca on several occasions when German officers or N.C.O.s in uniform boarded a bus everyone in the bus got off and the driver left his seat and declined to drive his bus until the Germans got out.

"When German officers went to see a football match the teams stopped playing and left the field. German officers were molested in the streets to such an extent that General Nogues had to make a special representation to the head of the armistice commission warning him that if his officers and men continued to go about in uniform he could no longer guarantee their lives.

"As for the native officers and population, they cannot understand why a population of 150,000 French people—not counting the army—permits a few hundred Germans to come to Morocco and dictate orders."

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THEY have not forgotten the early days of the world war—August, 1914. There were, in those days, two active German agents in Morocco, the brothers Mannersmann, who had given a good deal of trouble to the French administration. For the sake of peace, they had been "ignored." But on the day war was declared the French Premier received a telegram from Marshal—then General—Lyautey, Resident-General in Morocco, with these simple words: "The Brothers Mannersmann were shot by a firing squad this morning."

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DEATH
HAYWARD—Allen, William. At Rangoon, on June 6, 1941. Aged 40.

Reported Missing



Flying Officer Victor T. H. Frith, son of the late Mr C. E. Frith, Chief Sanitary Inspector, Hongkong, and Mrs Frith, who has been serving with the R.A.F. in Egypt since 1938, is reported missing. Flying Officer Frith was educated here at the Diocesan Boys' School, and has a sister, Mrs A. G. F. Frew, in the Colony.

the smoking interval provided a happy proof that one was learning to fight for democracy.

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Came the day when, smartly falling in, the parade formed three ranks, equally spaced and covered and stood at ease without a word of chiding. The long thin men and fat short men passed their theory in a few minutes over World Record Time, including empty magazine and blunt firing pins.

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The Key Man had become a soldier. His reward was gratifying. A holiday until further notice.

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After a few months the thin British line again formed up. A little more wary than on the last parade but, still, distinguishable from a corkscrew. Zero hour had arrived. Names were called. Various Raw Recruits were noted. Veterans made their plea.

After consulting his papers the Sergeant Major, with the backing of a diffident officer in the background, reduced the whole parade to one squad "for a new course," as he announced darkly.

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SATURDAY, JUNE 7, 1941.

Bundles for Britain

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You have often heard of the term, Bundles for Britain, and may also have seen newsreel pictures of this organisation which, as simple as its name, offers an outlet for all Americans who are eager to help in relieving distress and suffering in the British Isles due to the war, and particularly as the result of aerial bombings.

In the early stages of the war, Mrs Wales Latham, young New York society woman, wanted to do something to help England. At that time, nearly all relief work in the United States was being directed to aiding the French. She canvassed friends, secured a licence from the State Department, wheedled an empty store rent-free from a Park Avenue landlord, persuaded Mrs Winston Churchill to become a sponsor and started with her work.

From the very first, the Bundles for Britain movement was a success. People in all walks of life knitted for it, offered time, goods, money.

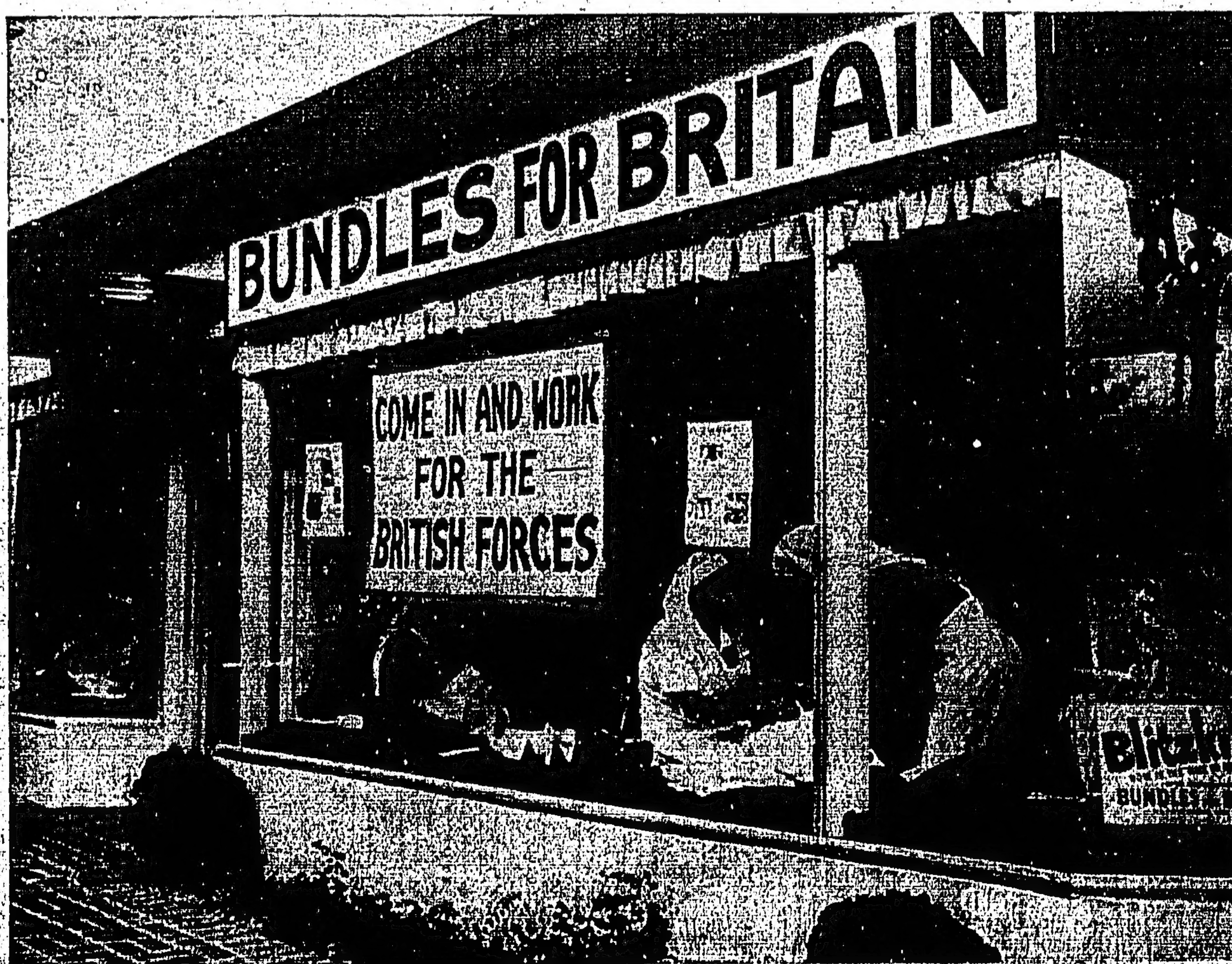
When the theatre of war shifted to Britain in July last, the movement grew rapidly. Branches sprang up all over the country. There are now to-day more than 300, spread over every state in the union.

Only non-military supplies are sent by the organisation, and among the goods dispatched to Britain are vast quantities of clothing, knitted goods, shoes, food, and hospital supplies and many ambulances and mobile canteens as well as hundreds of crates of surgical instruments.

Pictures on this page depict some of the activities of the organisation.

On the top of the page, volunteer workers are hard at work folding and pinning surgical dressings. Immediately to the left, two film stars, Dolores del Rio and Claudette Colbert, are sorting out shoes collected by the Hollywood branch. To the left of that, children in an Illinois town operate a lemonade stand to help the cause, while, at lower left, co-eds of Louisiana State University solicit subscriptions at a football game. Below is a picture of what one of the branches looks like. Many women, passing by, see the sign, go in and work for a few hours each day.

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Youngsters
Popular
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By JAMES ARTHUR

Bright youngsters from high school, coming to Hollywood full of hope following graduation plays, were very far from welcome a few years ago, when budding Clark Gables and Myrna Loy were frowned on, and the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce advertised "Don't Come." But to-day youngsters of high school age plays a very important part in Hollywood's scheme of things. In fact, they are an important factor in the discoveries of studio scouts.

This does not mean that the "Welcome" mat has been spread before the studio doors, according to Fred Dattig, veteran casting director. His advice still is "Don't Come," but he adds a reservation, "Wait to be sent for."

"The high-school-age player," says George B. Seitz, director of "Hardy Family" pictures, "is popular to-day because the general public has become very youth-conscious, and finds ample entertainment in the problems and antics of adolescents. And these youngsters are finding ready favour with directors, because they have emerged from school trained to think. Acting to-day is a matter of thinking as well as dramatic festivity, alertness, and the rest of the qualities players must have."

High schools have produced many outstanding new players. Lana Turner rose to stardom from a classroom in Hollywood High School, whence also came Cecilia Parker. From the same school emerged Ann Rutherford, Joel McCrea, Sally Eilers, William Henry, Anna Darlin, Lon Cheney, Jr., and Dorothy Keen, who went into pictures in young-adult roles. The most famous graduate of Venice High School is Myrna Loy. Robert Taylor started his career in student plays at Lincoln High School in Los Angeles.

Most of these, Dattig points out, did not step directly from classroom to screen roles. Some essayed little theatres, others the stage, others went into pictures and won prominence by slow and careful grooming. They are not classed as high-school-age players to-day, though high school was their origin.

School plays, and the little theatre, Dattig continues, are fertile fields for personality discovery to-day. Gene Reynolds was discovered in high school (he is now a freshman at the University of California at Los Angeles). Andrea Loretta Young, Douglas McPhail, Gloria Stuart, all of whom first gained attention in school entertainments, "But," Dattig reiterates, "don't come to Hollywood. Studio scouts are on the watch everywhere, and seek only exceptional talent. At least, don't come unless you can afford a year without work."



Never before has the heroism of the Royal and Merchant Navies been brought so vividly home to a screen audience as in "Convoy," the British film now showing at the King's Theatre. The picture is both a timely stimulus as well as spectacular entertainment.

It succeeds very well, up to a point, of giving an idea of the work implied in the title. The pity is that it did not go farther, risk the charge of being labelled documentary, dispense altogether with the woman who finds herself involved in the naval mission, and cut to a minimum the battle between the Deutschland and the light cruiser Apollo, a battle which, for all the care taken with it, cannot hope to avoid the artificial.

Still, it is to the director's credit that the woman, the wife of the Apollo's captain who had run away with one of his officers, is not on board at the actual time of the engagement and that

the film generally manages to return to the screen as Captain Armitage, and Edward Chapman, as the Yorkshireman just referred to, stands out next in mind. Judy Campbell is Lucy Armitage. Other supporting players are not so well known here. The picture, it must be said, has some substantial merits to set against its lack of the austere virtues.

Clive Brook makes a welcome

Footsteps in the Dark

Errol Flynn appears in a modern dress role for the first time in the three or four years in the comedy-mystery film, "Footsteps in the Dark," now showing at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres. Flynn is cast as a writer of mystery stories who likes to get material for his books at first hand. Leading a double life because he doesn't want his wife to know he is the author of yarns that debunk her fellow club members, he finds himself in plenty of hot water.

Brenda Marshall appears as Errol's wife, while the cast includes Ralph Bellamy, Alan Hale, Allen Jenkins and Lee Patrick.

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ON BOARD AIRCRAFT CARRIER—Bombing up the port wing of a Walrus aircraft before she goes on patrol over the Atlantic. The Walrus, which is one of many types of aircraft serving the Fleet Air Arm, carries anti-submarine bombs.



THEIR MASCOTS—Tamed cheetahs have been adopted as mascots by a South African Air Force bomber squadron. Picture shows two Springbok pilots with their jungle pets.

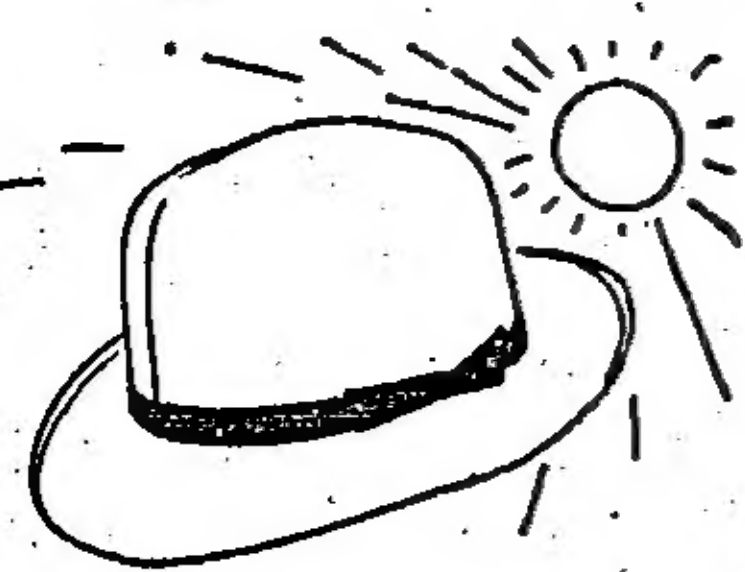


PRIME MINISTER IN SCOTLAND—Mr and Mrs Winston Churchill photographed during a recent visit to a camp for Polish troops in Scotland with General Sikorski and the Polish Ambassador.



FIRST TASTE OF GAS—Canadian trainees at one of the Dominion camps tearfully emerge after a session in the gas chamber.

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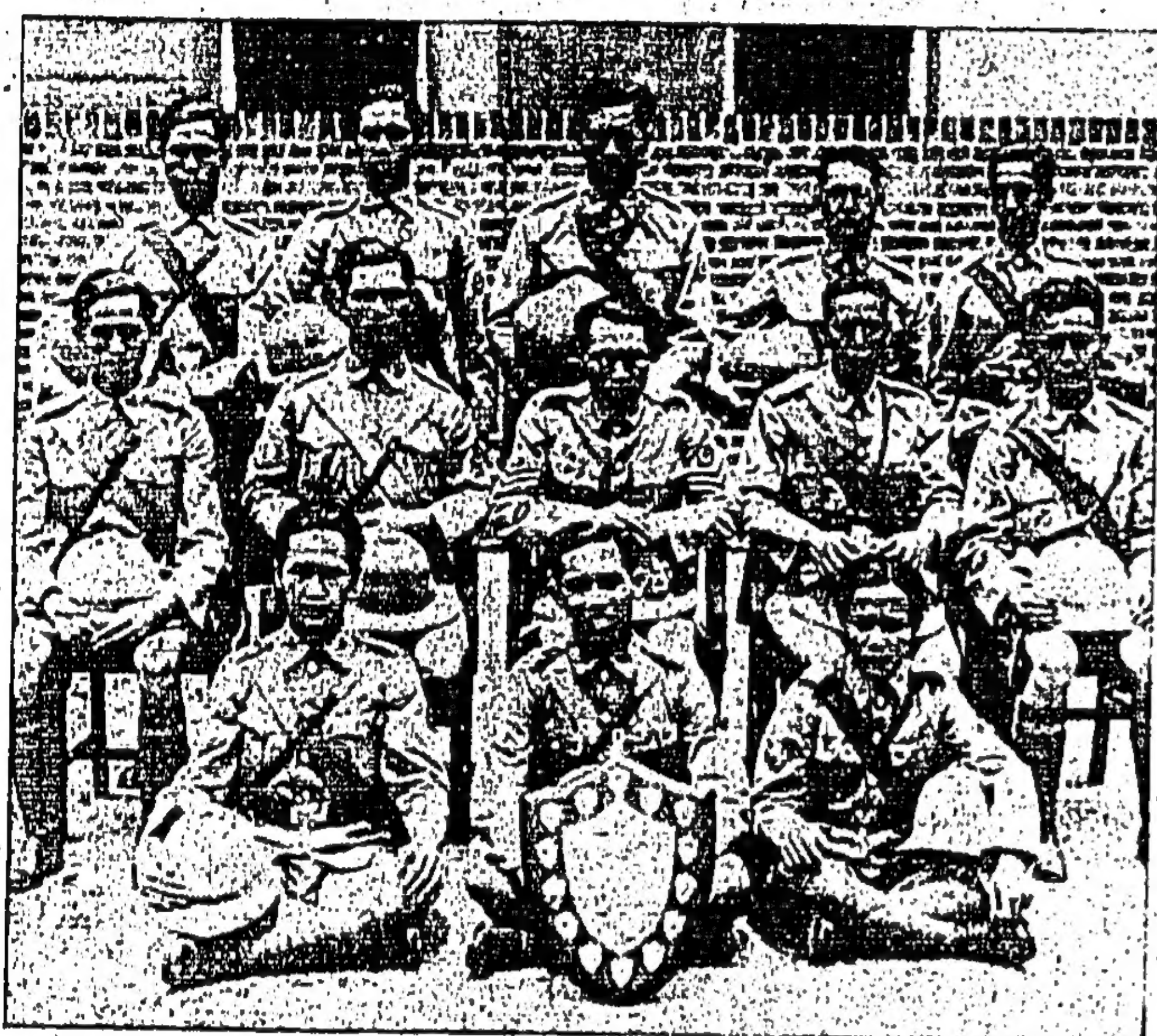
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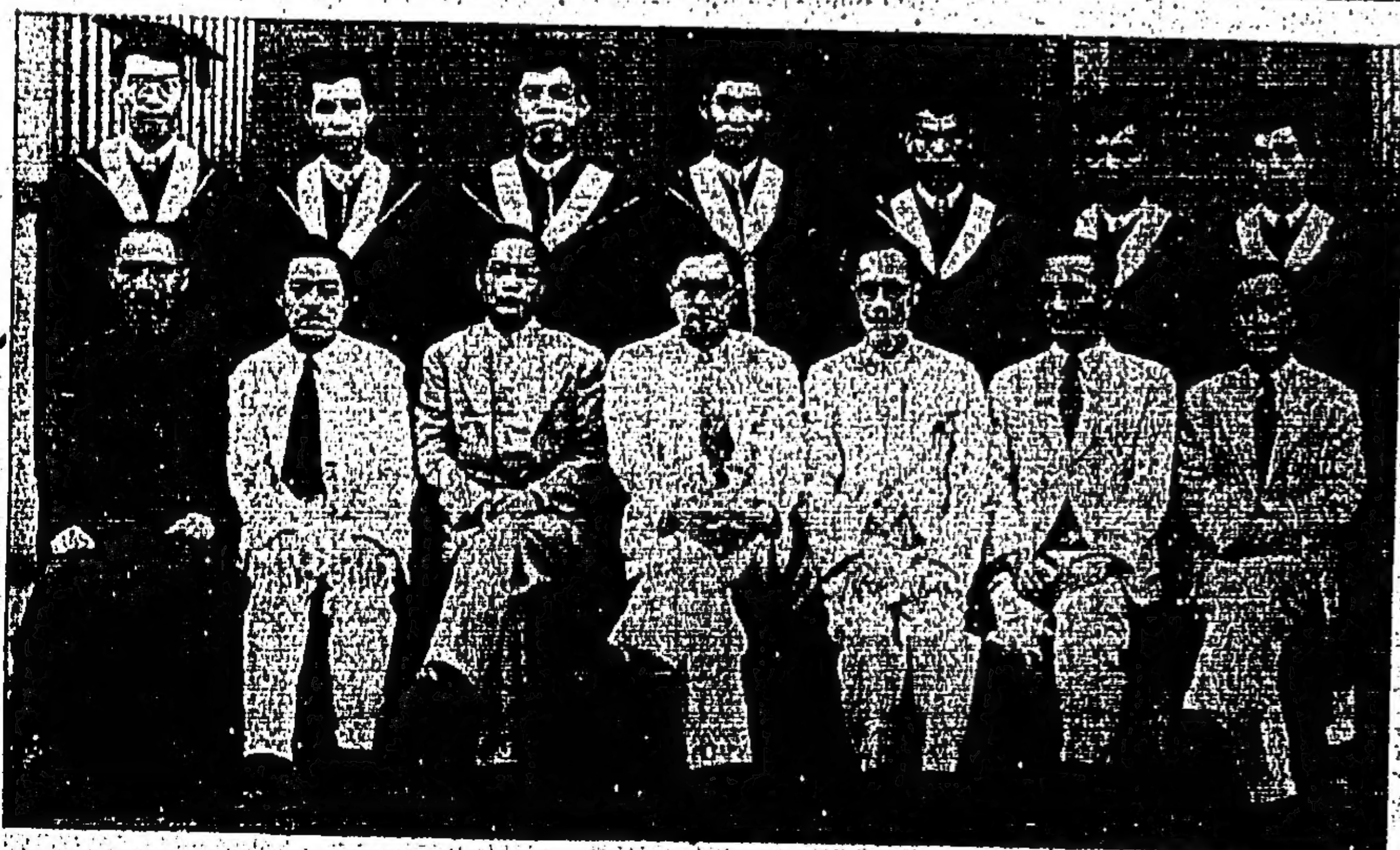
**TRINITY COLLEGE OF MUSIC
SUCCESSSES**—Above are three pupils of Miss Mary Bragg, A.T.C.L., all of whom obtained Honours in the recent examination. Left to right:—Vivien Cheung, (Intermediate), Phoebe Lo (Junior) and Dorothy Newburn. (Initial). Left, Renee Ho, who obtained Honours in the First Steps Division, and right, Chan Suk-on, who obtained Honours in the Intermediate, are pupils of Miss D. L. Ho. The latter has been selected to play at the forthcoming broadcast recital by some successful candidates.



UNIVERSITY DEGREE DAY—H.E. the Governor, Sir Geoffry Northcote, Chancellor of the University, seen shaking hands with one of the graduates on whom he conferred degrees at last week's Congregation. Also in the picture are Professor L. Foster, Professor Gordon King, H.E. Major-General A. E. Grasott, Mr D. J. Sless, Vice-Chancellor, and the Hon. Mr N. L. Smith. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

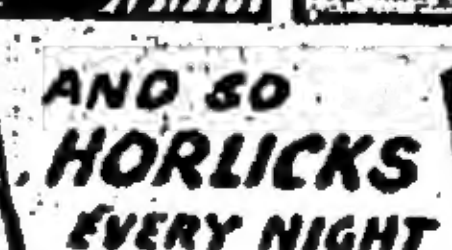


AMBULANCE COMPETITION—Picture shows No. 3 Squad of the Wanchai Division, St John Ambulance Brigade, adjudged winners of the Hyder Shield for efficiency for 1941 at a competition held last Sunday at the No. 2 Police Station compound.



14TH GRADUATE CLASS of the Canton University, taken during recent graduation ceremonies.
(Photo: Sun Ying Ming).

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CURRENT COMMENT . . . By Scrutineer

Syria, it is clear, is no longer part of the French Empire. It is only nominally so, since Admiral Darlan and Marshal Petain have placed its aerodromes at the disposal of the Germans. This is precisely what happened in Bulgaria, where as in Syria there was also the infiltration of tourists and other political agents. Vichy is determined to blunder the British and assist the Germans, for Darlan and Petain are convinced that a German victory is in the best interests of France, or certainly of the present Vichy government.

There is naturally a desire on our part to refrain from action in Syria, for this might throw the whole weight of the French Empire, with the ports and possibly the fleet and air force, into the hands of the Germans.

We seem too often to be fighting with our hands tied. There is the case of Elce, whose submarine bases would prove to be of great value if we possessed them. Egypt which we are defending is not in the war, but is sheltering Italians and Germans who ought to be interned.

Vichy is now definitely antagonistic, but is ruling the country only by the help of German bayonets and German threats of starvation.

It is probable that Petain as well as Darlan really want to have the French people dragooned. It is the penance that must be paid, in their opinion, for the corruption and selfishness that prevailed before the collapse. They really believe in the new order as conceived by Germany, which involves the subjection of the French people. Petain has definitely turned his back on the principles of the French revolution, and luxuriating in their defeat, and striving to bring others into the same position. Naturally this is also a method of ingratiating them.

No one could have believed that France would have or could have sunk so low. The nation that created the Marseillaise is now cowed and cringing before its conquerors. Only a few honourable Frenchmen are free of this guilt. Many of these are in the Middle East and are beckoning to those of like mind who are still in Syria. It is here that General Dentz, the High Commissioner of Syria, who had the distinction of surrendering Paris to the Germans, is having a difficult time trying to overcome the opposition in his province, but is living up to his reputation as one who is willing to surrender all advantages to the Germans and to deny any kind of assistance to the Allies.

The Arabs have always been troublesome in Syria, because they say that Iraq had attained independence and membership of the League of Nations in 1932 while they were still struggling for recognition under French rule. The generous terms given to the Iraqi people since the capture of Baghdad now increases that discontent.

What is certain is that if British forces now advance into Syria, they will be assured of a large measure of support.

IRAQ-COLLAPSE

The collapse of the Iraq revolt and the flight of Rashid Ali to Tehran are the bright spots of the week's news. Iran, of course, is already in a state of tension, for the German agents are most active there in the capital. They sent a delegation to the Shah recently to demand the closing of the oil wells, 160 miles from Abadan on the Persian Gulf, and threatened to bomb them if this was not done. It was not done and the wells were not bombed, but this was all meant to synchronise with Rashid Ali's claim that Iran was certainly next on the list for occupation. The presence of Rashid Ali in Tehran adds to the danger in that area.

This German movement towards the Persian Gulf was the dream of the late Kaiser Wilhelm. It was he who inspired the Baghdad railway scheme in 1902. Hitler in "Mein Kampf" made no secret of his theory that German lebensraum was to be located for in a south-easterly direction. The principle was developed by a whole school of Geo-politicians

under Professor Haushofer who summed up their policy as follows in 1934.

"Our aim is to labour for the acquisition of the Near and Further East of the means of existence once promised to us by the Baghdad Railway. To conquer the whole of Eastern World from the Danube to the Bay of Bosphorus would be to break the chains by which Europe has fettered our arms."

It is this ambition and this policy of expansion which has consolidated German opinion. Other nations have been content to hold what they have, and to remain psychologically behind a Maginot Line, but the vision of greater power is always a greater stimulant to action than maintenance of the status quo.

"TELEGRAPH" SATURDAY FEATURE

Germany was strong because, her frontiers were weak. No nation could ever be safe with a unified German nation for it was obviously very easy to overflow into the weak or lands, once there was the conviction that it could be done.

Might alone was the determining factor. France and Russia. In the past afforded the check on the continent. Now both are too weak to offer any resistance, and Germany now stands over the prostrate bodies of her victims based on this in this war, in which she so far has made many conquests, has suffered within her borders for greater loss than in the past, for the R.A.F. is ranging over her towns and inflicting damage on such towns as Hamburg, Bremen, Cologne and hundreds of other places to an extent that Goering never dreamed of.

This is the only way at present that Germany can be made to realise that war is not all profit and glory. The point, however, to remember is that Germany's continental policy has been very unfavourable with those of the geographical theory, by which the limit of expansion is determined by strength of the state, and its willingness to fulfil its destiny.

LABOUR SOLIDLY BEHIND WAR

The resolutions of the Labour Party which were passed by overwhelming majorities at their conference are the answer to the German propaganda which has always sought to create dissension between the working classes of Britain and the rest of the country.

According to the Berlin radio, the former are exploited by the wealthy plutocrats, chiefly Jews. Their living conditions, Goebbels states, compare very unfavourably with those of the same classes in Germany. Apparently, the Labour people and their elected leaders see no evidence of this, and realise that whatever disabilities they suffer from will be corrected by their own efforts in the House of Commons.

What is certain is that no section in Britain is more whole-heartedly in favour of the destruction of Hitlerism than the Labour Party. The English working men who form the majority of the nation give the impression that this is their war. They see only too clearly that the success of the Nazis would forever end their hope of further improvement. Everyone in Britain recognises the tremendous strides the social services have made in the last 70 years. It was, for instance, quite common fifty years ago for children to run barefooted, even in winter time, in the industrial towns. Education was backward, health was poor, housing conditions were bad. Photographs recently produced by the London County Council have shown the contrast in the same district, in these respects, between then and now.

How could Germany show such results, seeing that for the past twenty years she has been devoting by far the greater part of her revenue not to social services but to building planes and tanks.

The position of the Nazi worker even before this war was worse than that of the British worker 100 years ago. He has no collective power for bargaining, he has no freedom of contract, he cannot change his employment. He is, in short, a paid slave—and a badly paid one at that. A Nazi victory would take away liberty and trade unionism, and would destroy all the protective legislation for which the Labour Party in Britain has successfully

striven during the last hundred years.

Such leaders as Bevin, Attlee, Morrison, Greenwood and Ammon understood quite clearly that the Labour movement in Britain can only remain healthy, vigorous and progressive under a free constitution and would very quickly perish in a totalitarian state.

They are bound to suffer materially by a continuation of the war, like everyone else, but they would suffer still more by an unsuccessful conclusion of it. Again the Labour Party has always been international in its aims, and in its determination to carry on the struggle at all costs—they are fighting for the liberty of the workers of the world.

THE LESSON OF CRETE

In the days of Minos, the King of Crete, there lived in a labyrinth on the island a ferocious monster, half-human, half-beast, called the Minotaur. To satisfy its appetite, a yearly offering of Greek youth had to be made. In order to put an end to this fearful sacrifice a warrior named Theseus undertook to enter the labyrinth and slay this misshapen evil thing. He succeeded.

There is now let loose upon the island a more fearful monster which demands even greater sacrifice, and which will require even greater power before its career is terminated.

It was Kipling who said that in the world there are men, women and Germans.

Crete now is overrun by them and the British troops have been withdrawn. The feeling about this latest retreat is not one of depression and defeat; it is rather one of anger that the lesson of France and Norway have not been properly learned. The island has been in British hands for seven months; its invasion by parachute was immediately a possibility as soon as Athens was occupied. The Navy had kept the seas open and the army was in possession, but the air force could not give adequate support, so the warships and the army were exposed to the full attack of the Stukas which turned the scales, no doubt at great cost, but nevertheless successfully. The German air arm has once more demonstrated its immense striking power.

There is no lack of courage or fighting spirit, there is no sense of inferiority, except in the departments of machines, tanks and planes. Until the balance is redressed there is no prospect of success. America is now very busy producing the weapons which will soon be available for the supreme task that lies ahead in the Near East.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary, issued yesterday, says:

A better demand is apparent for the smaller priced issues and quotations having found negotiable levels a moderate exchange of scrip has resulted.

Business Done During the week.

H.K. Banks \$1,313
Union Ins. \$410
Wanvies \$87
Doyle \$14,800
Providents \$5,07½, \$5.10
Trains \$15.80
Electricity "O" Rts \$22
Electricity Rts \$11
Macao Electrics \$18.05, \$18½, \$18.60
Telephones "O" \$22
Cements \$13½, \$13¼
Ropes \$6.00
Watsons \$9.60
Ewo Cottons \$13.34
H.K. Govt. 4½ Loan 97½
H.K. Govt. 3½ Loan (1934) 94½

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H.K. Fire Ins. \$176
Indo-China (Prof) \$80
Providents \$5.10
Lands \$31
Realities \$2.80
Chinese Estates \$98
Lights "O" \$5.80
Lights "N" \$1.20
Watsons \$9.50
Entertainments \$0.25

Sellers

Trams \$10.35
Sales
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Cost Of Living
Slight Increase During Last Month

There was a slight increase in the cost of living for May, the figure being \$2.39 as against \$2.32 in April and \$2.35 in March.

These figures, which were obtained from the Labour officer, Mr B. C. K. Hawkins, are based on the prices of rice, firewood and ground-nut oil. The increase in the cost of living last month is attributed to the rise in the price of rice, which jumped from \$2.72 for 20 catties in April to \$2.86 in May. The figure for March was \$2.63.

The price of firewood showed a slight drop, the figure being 44 cents for 20 catties compared with 50 cents in April and 80 cents in March, while that of oil remained at 33 cents per catty during the three months.

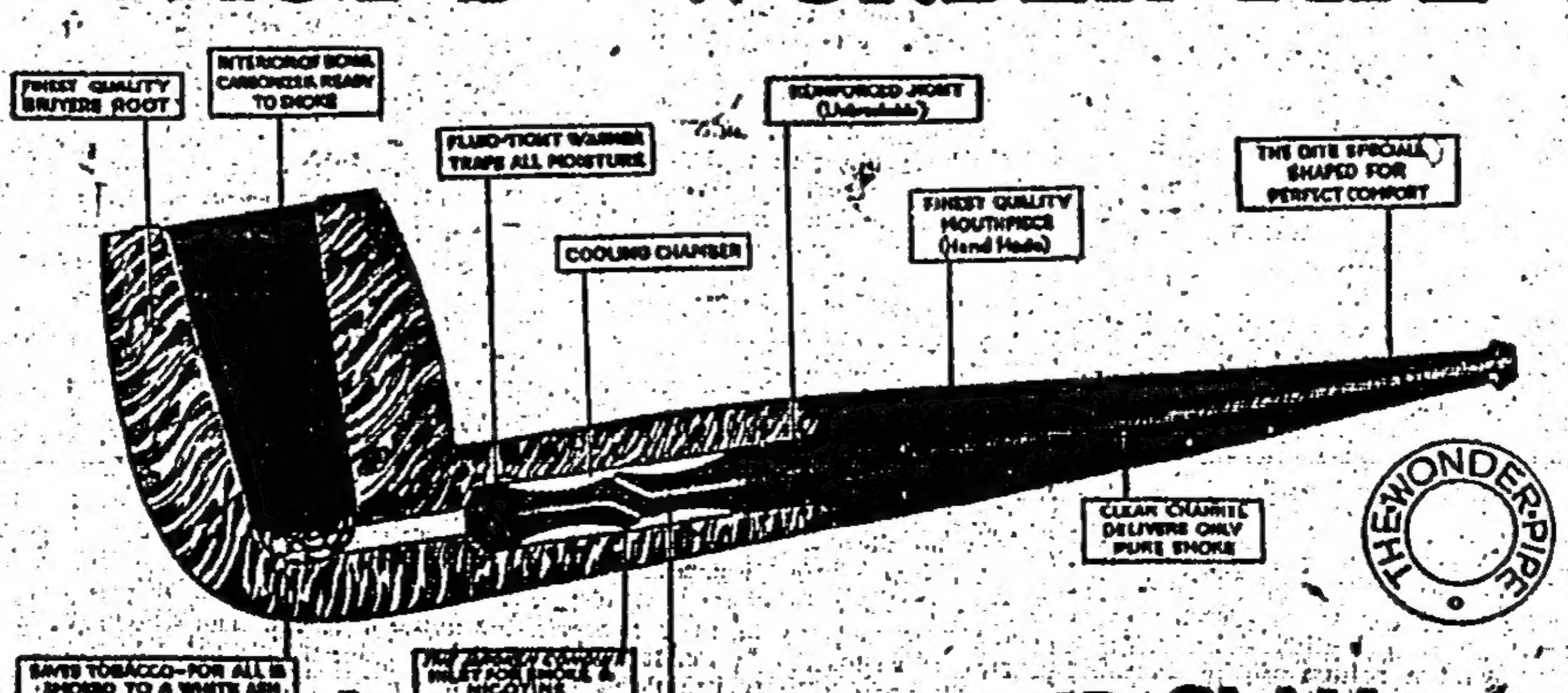
Mr E. Schroter
Former Hongkong Musician Dies in Canada

News has been received in Hongkong of the death of Mr Ernest Oswald Schroter, who passed away at the age of 30 years, at Vernon, B.C., Canada. He will be remembered in the Colony as an enthusiastic and promising amateur musician, and on at least one occasion he played the violin in a broadcast over 2BW.

After a long period of illness, borne with characteristic optimism and cheerfulness, he passed away at "Horncliffe", Vernon, on May 12. His mother and sister (Mrs B. C. Field) were present at the end.

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